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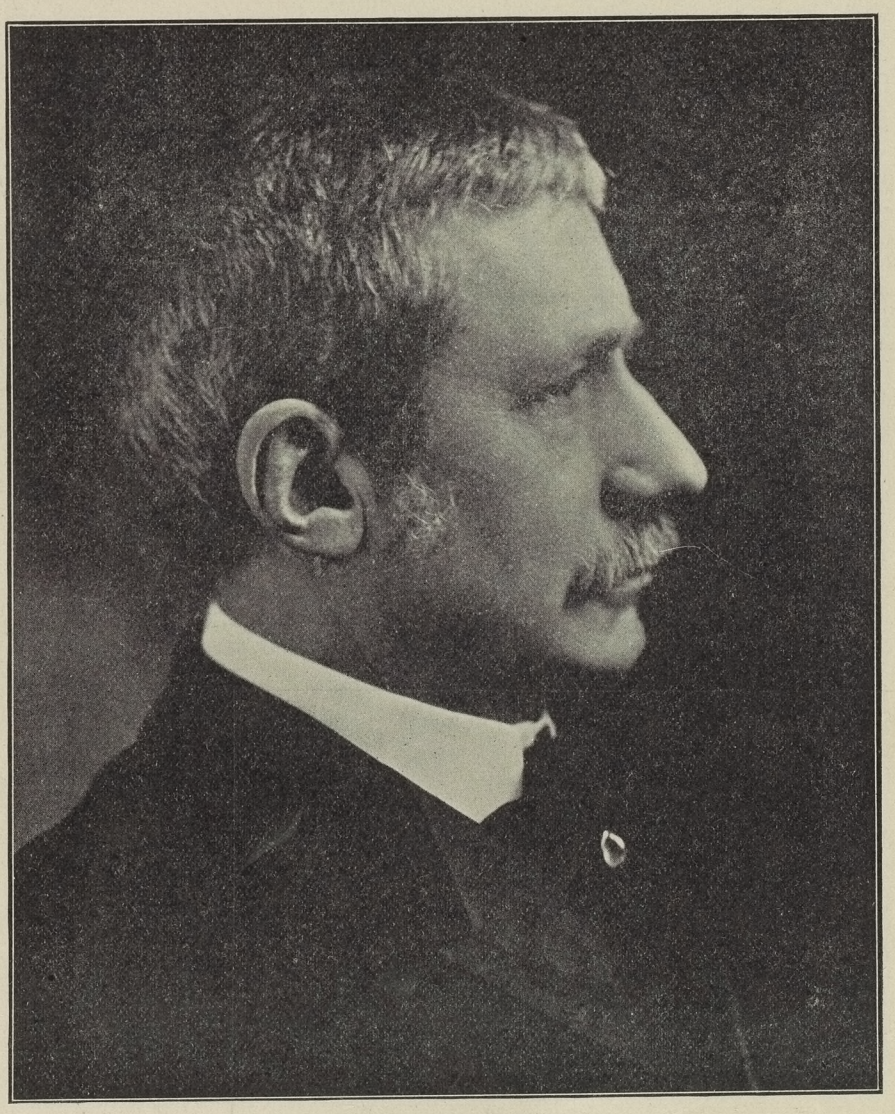
Hamilton—The Home of College Democracy.

HER BUILDINGS, FACULTY, COURSES OF STUDY, FRATERNITIES, STUDENT ACTIVITIES, PUBLICATIONS, MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC CLUBS, ENTERTAINMENTS, AND DORMITORY LIFE.

HAMILTON COLLEGE stands reared high on a hill overlooking the valleys of the Oriskany and the Mohawk Rivers. It is in the very center of New York State, nine miles south-west of Utica, in the county of Oneida and the town of Kirkland, one mile from the village of Clinton. Dr. Stryker has described the situation of the College thus: "It occupies a natural plateau, three hundred feet above the immediate valley, nine hundred feet above the sea, facing easterly, with extended views of vales, uplands and high hills beyond. The Campus is a beautiful park of ninety-five acres, with stately trees, well-kept lawns, rare vistas, and amid these, in quadrangular arrangement, the College buildings. There is a good athletic Field, with excellent tennis courts. An adequate system, greatly enlarged in 1912, furnishes pure and abundant water."

Adjacent to the Campus is the estate of Elihu Root, '64, with its beautiful gardens, and deep glen beyond, known as "The Gully." Thru the courtesy of Mr. Root, this property is always open to the students. Thus the whole domain surrounding the College is one of unusual charm at every season of the year. To the man who appreciates suburban joys, Hamilton's Hill is a paradise. The College is built in the shape of a quadrangle in the center of the Campus, with all save five of the eighteen buildings forming this four-sided home of College democracy. The buildings are all but three of stone. As one, ascending the brow of the Hill, peers up thru the long approach of graceful trees, his eye first meets the huge New South dormitory, flanked on the left by the Y. M. C. A. building, the home of the organized Christian life of the College. New South, together with Carnegie dormitory, built in 1904, thru the kindness of Andrew Carnegie, and North College, which stands just beyond the Gymnasium on the front of the quadrangle, is the home of student life. The dormitories are among the finest in the country; all are equipped with the most modern appliances. The suites are fitted to hold two or three men. Each dormitory holds from sixty to eighty men.



Elihu Root, '64.

Next to New South stands the Chapel, serene and dignified, facing straight down on the valley. It was built in 1831, and now for nigh a hundred years has been the pride of every Hamilton man. Its architectural lines are simple, it is simply decorated within, yet from it there emanates an influence of dignity such as no other building on the Campus possesses. The fine organ inside is the gift of Henry Harper Benedict, '69. On the stained-glass windows are represented the faces of Samuel Kirkland, Alexander Hamilton, and other men of the College—Anson Judd Upson, '44, Dr. Peters, Chauncey Shaffer Truax, '75, Prof. Edward North, and others.

Next to the Chapel stands the Gymnasium, recently remodeled into a modern and highly attractive building. Here the College provides suitable means for exercise; during the first two years of student training it is made compulsory. Here also take place all intramural sports—interfraternity basketball contests, interfraternity gymnasium contests, indoor track meets, etc. The Junior Promenade, the biggest social event in the College year, is also held in the Gymnasium. Beyond the Gymnasium is North College, the dormitory already mentioned, completing the line of five buildings which comprise the face of the quadrangle.

Recitation halls are at either end of the quadrangle, a hall of Languages to the south and a hall of Philosophy to the north. Both are large and complete in equipment. Next to the Hall of Languages is the Commons, the building farthest to the south in the second long line of the quadrangle. It is long and low, and within the heavy rafters give it an appearance of Gothic simplicity. Here a large part of the students eat. The building is on the whole the most modern, and one of the most attractive on the Campus.

The hall next to the north of Commons, while not the newest or largest on the Campus, is valued by all Hamilton men for its associations. In it was born Hamilton's most eminent alumnus, the man whose recent retirement from the Senate the nation has not yet ceased to mourn. Senator Root, '64, is also the donor of the building to the College. It goes by his name, and includes a geological collection worth thousands. It also serves as a recitation hall for geology. In the rear of the building is the College well-house, the Mecca of thirsty students after a hard afternoon at track or tennis.

Next to Root Hall, the new $130,000 Library, finished this year, houses the most complete library of any small college in the country. The building itself is magnificent in structure and decoration. The huge reading room, with its vaulted ceiling and great fire-place, is shown by an accompanying engraving. In the Library are 65,000 volumes, including many choice collections.

The Hall of Science, to the left of the Library, contains recitation rooms and the physical laboratory. Carnegie dormitory completes the quadrangle. In the rear of the Hall of Science stands the Chemical laboratory, a low-roofed stone building with perfect equipment. In front of the Gymnasium is the capacious brick library just evacuated, which is to be used as an administration building. The Litchfield Observatory, the house which Samuel Kirkland once occupied and a house for the Campus groundkeeper, completes the list of College buildings.

Hamilton may justly claim that her equipment surpasses that of any of the smaller American colleges; there are, in fact, no better recitation halls and students' quarters in any college in the country. A glance at the names that appear on the list of the Faculty shows that Hamilton's equipment in that department is just as good. President M. Woolsey Stryker, nation-famous as an orator, possesses a personality which leaves its stamp on the character of every Hamiltonian. Dr. Herman Carl George Brandt is recognized thruout the country as one of the front rank of philologists and German scholars. Drs. Fitch and Morrill have international reputations in Greek and Biology. Dr. Squires is accepted by New York State as its most prominent psychologist. Dr. S. J. Saunders is the Registrar, and Dr. A. P. Saunders is Dean of the Faculty. The other professors are: Dr. Shepard, Prof. Ibbotson, Dr. Frank Hoyt Wood, Dr. Frederick Morgan Davenport, Prof. Calvin L. Lewis, Prof. C. K. Chase, Dr. F. H. Ristine, Prof. William Carruth, Prof. H. S. Brown, Prof. H. R. Hastings, Prof. R. C. Super. Prof. W. B. Marsh, Prof. Nelson C. Dale, and Prof. Daniel Chase.

Perhaps the most salient feature of student life at Hamilton is its college democracy. Everyone not only knows his two hundred fellows,

but "knows him by the back of his head," as Dr. Stryker has said. There is something fine and sincere in the ancient friendliness of the Hill. The stranger feels that here, if nowhere else, the American ideal of good-will toward all men has been wrought into life. It is this College democracy which makes Hamilton men good citizens. There is no swerving from the good rule that every man shall have a cordial "Hello" for every other man. This democracy extends to the relations between students and Faculty members. Students are invited to the homes of Faculty members, and grow to regard them as helpers. Before any man has been long in the College, he feels that in an emergency of college life he is able to claim the counsel of a mature and interested advisor.

HAMILTON'S EIGHT FRATERNITIES—PUBLICATIONS—MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC CLUBS—Y. M. C. A.

Hamilton's fraternity system is the best of its kind in vogue at any American college today, because it includes the entire College, and receives the support of the Faculty. At Hamilton seven national fraternities are represented, beside the Emerson Literary Society, a local organization. The national fraternities are: Sigma Phi, Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Chi Psi, Delta Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Theta Delta Chi. With these or with Emerson Literary Society all members of the College body are affiliated. Each society has its own house, and holds regular meetings for the discussion of literary topics and the transaction of business. Fraternity life is designed to strengthen the bonds of friendship, and to that end men are selected from each Freshman class under a system known as the "rushing season." During this period all attention is shown to the new man without his incurring the slightest obligation. At the opening of College, a reception is tendered to the new class at which there is opportunity of meeting the men from the various fraternities.

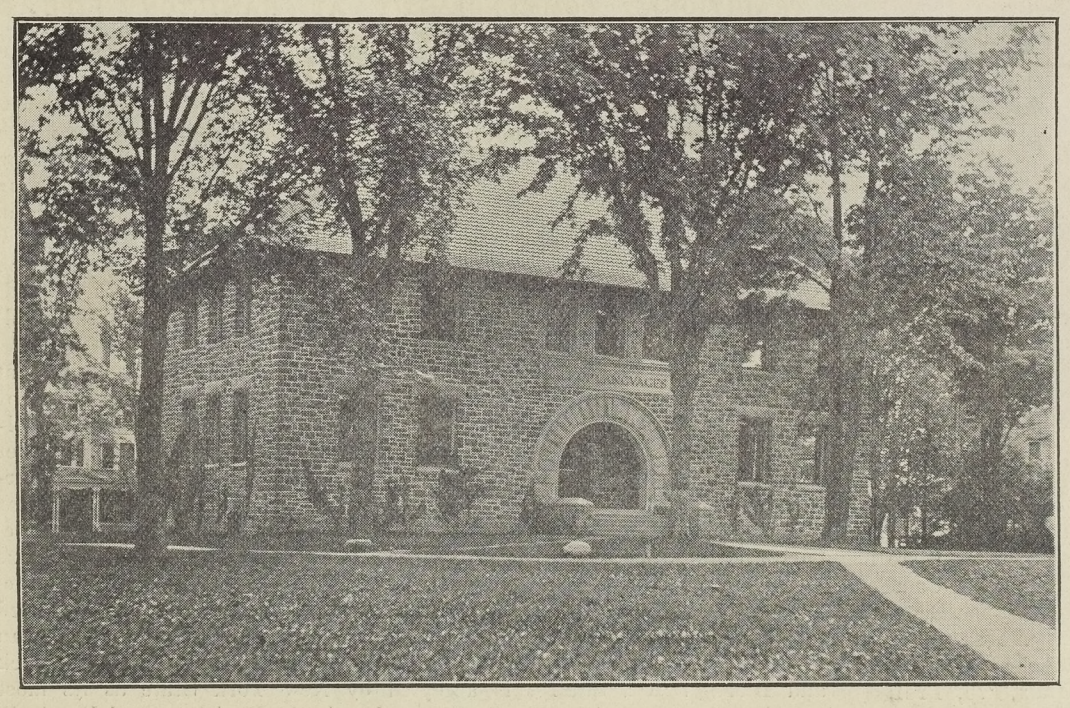
Hamilton's undergraduate publications are four in number, all preserving a standard such as would be expected from a college of Hamilton's cultural atmosphere and library facilities. During the college year **Hamil-Life** appears every Wednesday, with full accounts of student and alumni activities. Competitions are held among Freshmen and Sophomores for positions on the Board. Editors are chosen by the Board.

The Hamiltonian is the year book, containing about two hundred pages of records, class and college information, drawings, etc. It is published by a Board elected by the Junior Class. **Hamilton Literary Monthly**, issued nine times during the year, contains all the literary efforts of worth of the undergraduates. The Blue Book, published by the Y. M. C. A., contains an indispensable store of memoranda.

The Musical Clubs, the Charlatans, the Debate Teams, and the Y. M. C. A. are all secure College organizations. The Musical Clubs, Glee and Instrumental, are selected by competition and, after practice, give concerts in many towns thruout this and often other states. The Charlatans, an organization for the encouragement of dramatics, stages a play every year. The character cast is chosen by competition, and several performances are staged in towns thruout the state. Last year "When Senator Keeps House" was staged; this year "Believe Me, Xantippe" has been very successful.

Hamilton is engaged in a debating league with Weslayan and Bowdoin, and has during the last two years won and lost two contests. The other colleges also have each a standing of 500. Hamilton's reputation in debating is singularly high. Great stress is laid on all forensic work. Interclass debates prepare the way for the intercollegiate contest in March.

The Y. M. C. A. has a building of its own, given some years ago by Mr. Horace S. Silliman. The object of the organization is to unite all

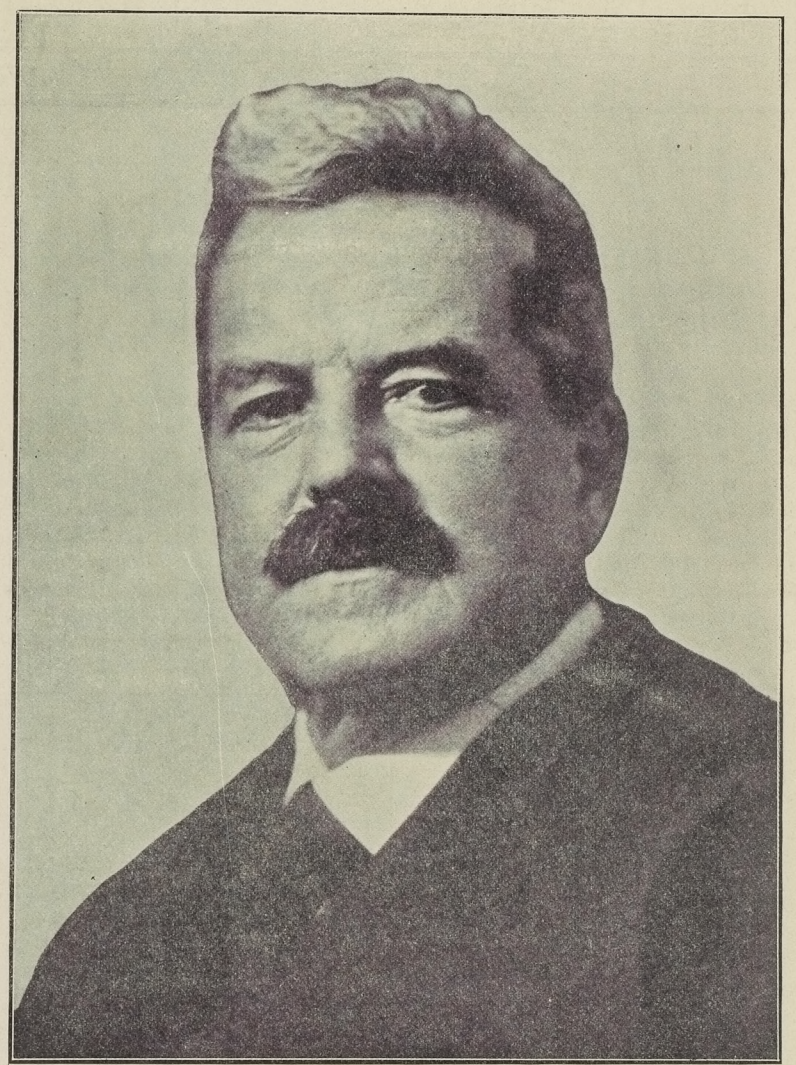


Hall of Languages.

men who cherish the ideal of Jesus Christ in the service of their fellowmen. Under the auspices of the association, various classes are held for Biblical and missionary study, and church work is conducted in the neighborhood of the College.

Other student organizations are the Senior Honor Societies, Pentagon and Square, each club naming its successors. Pentagon is recognized as the student organization from which spring reforms and thru which students may communicate their opinions to the administration. A literature club has flourished for several years, comprised of Seniors interested in the study of literature. Seminars in Political Science, French, and German are yearly organized for students excelling in those subjects.

Chief among the social events of the college year is Junior Promenade, a three-days festival, when all the fraternities entertain and are entertained, and when the Musical Clubs and Charlatans perform for the benefit of guests. Beside Junior Week, each fraternity gives two formal dances yearly—in the Spring and the Fall—and occasional informal dancing parties. Entertainments of a more intellectual order are furnished by musicales arranged thru the kindness of Dr. A. P. Saunders, an accomplished musician, and by lectures. During the past year lectures have been delivered on the European War by Dr. Wambaugh of the Harvard Law Faculty, Will Irwin, writer and journalist, Prof. John Bates Clark of Columbia University Faculty, and Prof. Pupin, inventor and professor at Columbia. Elihu Root, it is believed, will conclude the course later in the year. The subjects discussed every year are up to the minute in interest, and are liberally attended by the students.



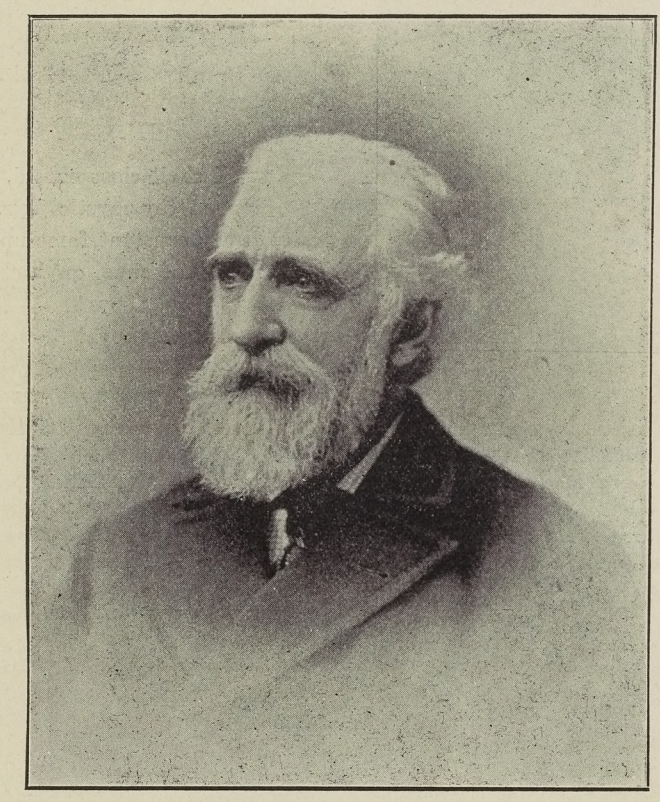
President M. Woolsey Stryker, '72.

No description of student life at Hamilton would be complete without some mention of the various celebrations, class rushes, etc., which add a healthy sting to what might otherwise become monotonous academic life. On the first night before College opens, known as "Paint Night," the Freshmen get acquainted with each other, and are pervaded with a splendid and fervid scorn for the Sophomores. On that occassion the Freshmen, provided with large quantities of red paint, and the Sophomores with an equally large quantity of green paint, do their best in bedaubing the baseball backstop, the grandstand, and the football goalposts, which are later repainted at their expense. On the following morning, the first of the term, after hearing an address in the Chapel by Senator Root, the two under classes engage in a row, which they follow up with a series of grass races, heavy, middle and light-weight wrestling contests, relay races, etc. These events conclude the program which is followed every year, and which, for all their pungency, lack the spontaneity and hilarity of some other celebrations which arise during the Fall of the year, after athletic victories, or on Hallowe'en night. A football victory on the Campus is the signal for a celebration which would daze one unfamiliar with American college customs. It is the duty of the Freshmen—and they accept it willingly—to collect wood and all kinds of infammable material for the bonfire. The Chapel bell, rung by relays, clangs out to the towns-people the news that

the "Buff and Blue" has been victorious. The College band is rapidly recruited. If the occasion is an especially glorious one, a "snake dance" is in order. As the fire burns low, the crowd breaks up, after singing Alma Mater. In the evening, Utica is made to know of the victory, the students occupying large sections at the theatres.

Hallowe'en Night is the traditional time when active hostilities between the under classes cease, except in cases of exceptional aggravation. This is also the occasion for a huge bonfire in a glen near the College, and is, on the whole, one of the most picturesque of all undergraduate celebrations. The fire is always so high that it may be seen for a long distance. Often a dance around it gives opportunity for enthusiasm, which is followed by much bonfire oratory. On Hallowe'en the Faculty members are always serenaded, and for the most part "come up" with speeches, altho they have always been suspicious of the students since a year about a decade ago, when an unusually violent class dismantled the historic cannon, standing on the Campus, and set them up directly in front of the house of one Faculty member, so that their muzzles pointed at him when he opened his door in the morning.

Class spirit is unusually intense at Hamilton, until the dignity of upper-classman years is reached. This is well illustrated in the rivalry in holding class banquets. Each class hold such an affair annually, in spite of the efforts of the other to prevent it. Great precautions are taken by each class to keep their



Charles Dudley Warner, '51.

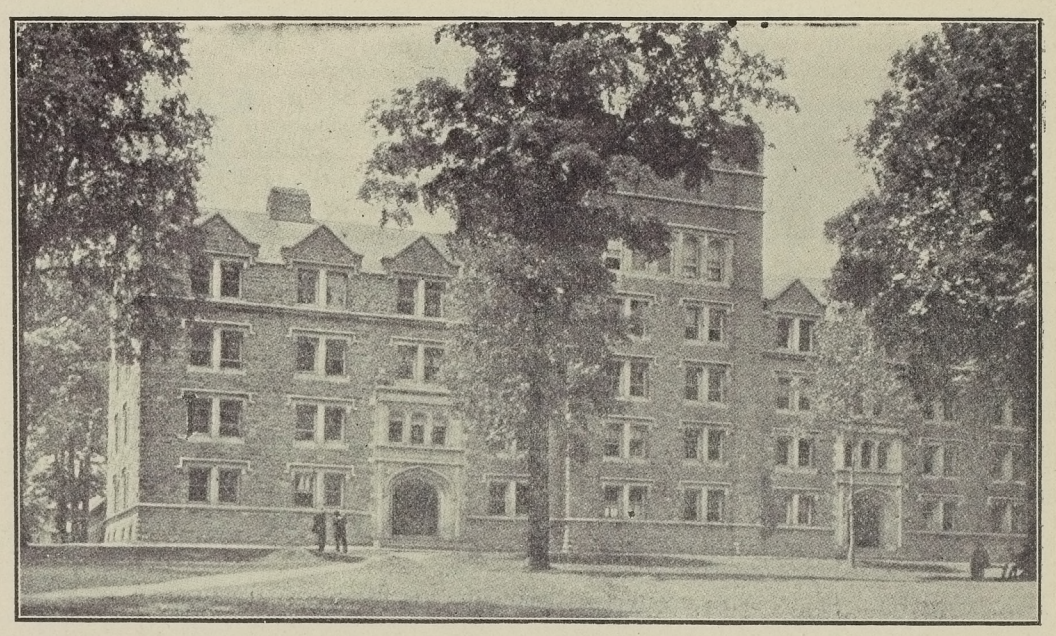
projected coups d'etat secret, and a banquet "pulled off" without interference is regarded as a triumph. The banqut is usually held in some town near the College.

COLLEGE CUSTOMS.

College customs, which tradition has long since made law, are not very different in any of the American colleges. Those which Hamilton undergraduates have endorsed are:

1. Freshmen must smoke nothing but corn-cob pipes on the Campus.
2. The Hexagonal Bench to the right of Chapel is for Seniors only.
3. Freshmen are to yield precedence to upperclassmen, and are to be first with a hearty "Hello."
4. No silk hats are to be worn by any undergraduate until the Junior Week of his class.
5. Underclassmen are not to wear corduroy trousers.
6. Freshmen must not wear prep-school insignia of any kind.
7. All Freshmen are to wear a green skull cap from the beginning of the year until Easter vacation.

The life of the students in the dormitories is peculiarly Hamiltonian. Here again the American ideal of democracy has been wrought into life. The residents of a dormitory really comprise one big Hamilton family, where a spirit of unselfish friendliness makes life a great deal more than eating and sleeping. The living rooms thruout the dormitories are 15 by 18 feet i size, with large fire-places, affording ample comfort and possibilities for comradeship. Often in the Spring months, a sing starts in front of one or another of the dormitories, swelling until the whole College is grouped under the trees on the Campus.



New South Dormitory.

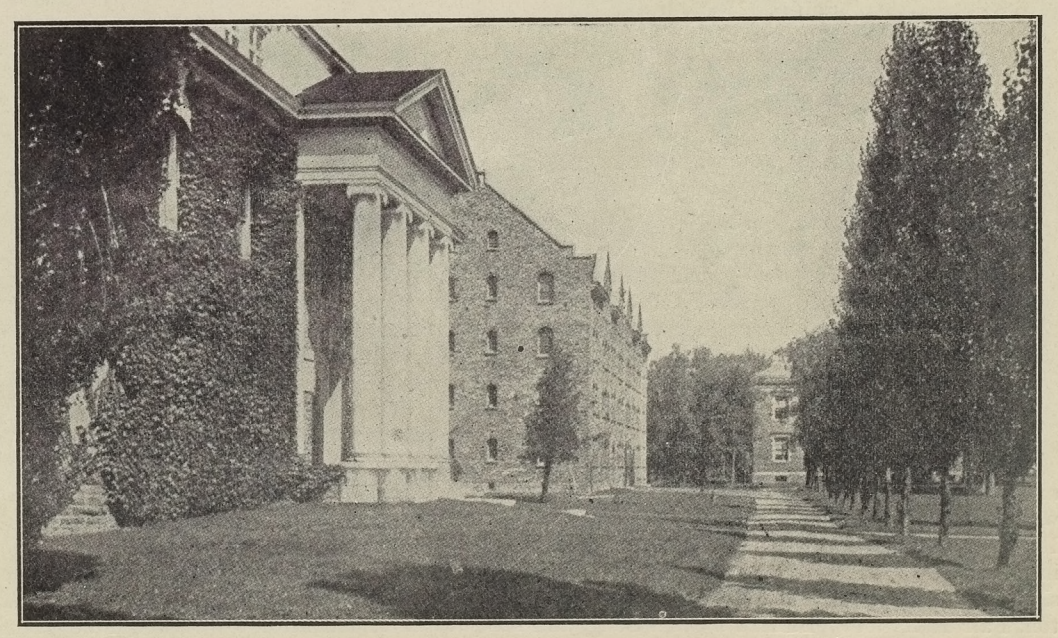
PUBLIC SPEAKING, IN HAMILTON'S COURSE OF STUDY, IS EMPHASIZED ABOVE EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT OF WORK. SUMMER SCHOOL ACTIVE.

More than any other college in the country Hamilton emphasizes public speaking. From the last Freshman to the last Senior, every man is drilled from the day that he enters College until the day that he leaves. It has long been the belief held by Hamilton's speaking department that oral English is as important as the written language, and that excellence in platform expression is one of the most useful, if not the most useful thing to be acquired from a cultural education. Almost invariably, the student early appreciates the value of this sort of training, and enters into the work with ardor. As a result, "Hamilton Oratory" is famed thruout the country. In line with this general policy, many of Hamilton's Alumni have established foundations which furnish prizes to students excelling in this art. A contest is held annually in the College Chapel for each of the three under classes, and in the Spring term of Senior year, the so-called K. P., or Clarke Prize, speaking contest between six Seniors chosen for excellence in writing and speaking adds still further importance to this department of Hamilton training.

The Hamilton Summer School, begun last year, bids fair to pass a second successful season this summer. It is conducted by Prof. Calvin L. Lewis of the Faculty, assisted by Prof. W. H. Squires and Prof. W. B. Marsh. Samuel Hopkins Adams, '91, served last year as lecturer. The school is for teachers of English, and training is given in both the written and spoken language. Applications should be made to Director Calvin L. Lewis.

TRADITIONAL COMMENCEMENT AT HAMILTON. PIPE OF PEACE CUSTOM, IVY ORATIONS, CLASS DAY CELEBRATION. ALUMNI SUPPORT.

Commencement at Hamilton, as at other colleges, is the signal for class reunions and festivities of all sorts. Fraternity dances and teas, Faculty receptions, and other social functions, class banquets, all combine to produce a week that beggars description. Class Day is, of course, the banner day of the week. On that day the Seniors really take their



North West Corner of Quadrangle.

farewell of the place which has become so real to them. The historian and prophet and poet and orator of the graduating class all have their say; in the name of the class sprig of ivy is planted near a favorite building, and orators, chosen from the three under classes, respond to a Senior's ivy oration. Then on the next day, the Class meets for the last time in the Chapel to receive diplomas. After they have them, and know that they have been together for the last time, they go out in front and sit down on the grass in a circle; and the pipe of peace goes round, and they sing a little, before they rise to go down the path bordered with laurels, and then to pass thru the arbor, and so out into the world.

A statement of Hamilton's undergraduate activities may not be more appropriately closed than with the words which more than any others are associated with the College—the Alma Mater. It is sung on every occasion when the College comes together, at mass meetings, football and baseball games and track meets, or by smaller groups at class or fraternity gatherings. It was written by President Stryker, and is sung to the tune of the hymn: "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go." It is known as one of the finest college songs in the country, especially if sung with the vim and the swing and the vigor Hamilton men know how to put into it.

View in Elihu Root's Garden at his Summer Home.

Carissima.

I.

Dear is thy homestead, glade and glen,
Fair is the light that crowns thy brow;
Gather we close to thee again,
Mother of loyal, steadfast men.
Our own sweet Lady, Thou!
Our own sweet Lady, Thou!

II.

Haunting our hearts in absent days,
Calling us back from stress and storm,
Tenderly all thy good old ways,
Shine in thy smiles; Be love thy praise!
Thine arms are ever warm.
Thine arms are ever warm.

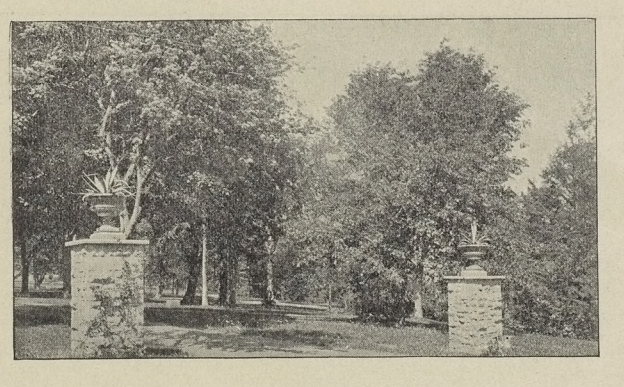
III.

Memory still shall close enfold,
Whispering on thy mystic joys.
Faith will thy constant fame uphold,
While years, Carissima, grow cold.
We still will be thy boys!
We still will be thy boys!

And when the sweet-scented manuscript of College days has been closed, Hamilton men do not forget its fragrance, but cherish the memory of their Alma Mater, and return as often as may be to their home of four years. It is thru their active support that student activities flourish. Associations of Alumni thrive thruout the country, from New England to California, including New York, Albany, Rochester, Syracuse, Chicago, Boston, Binghamton, and other large cities. These hold annual banquets, encourage sub-Freshmen to matriculate at Hamilton. Thru their support concerts are arranged for the Musical Clubs, and performances for the Charlatans. Their subscriptions support College publications. Thus the whole body of Hamilton men, undergraduates and alumni, are bound together in interdependence in which every Hamilton man is bound to every other, and each to the Mother institution.

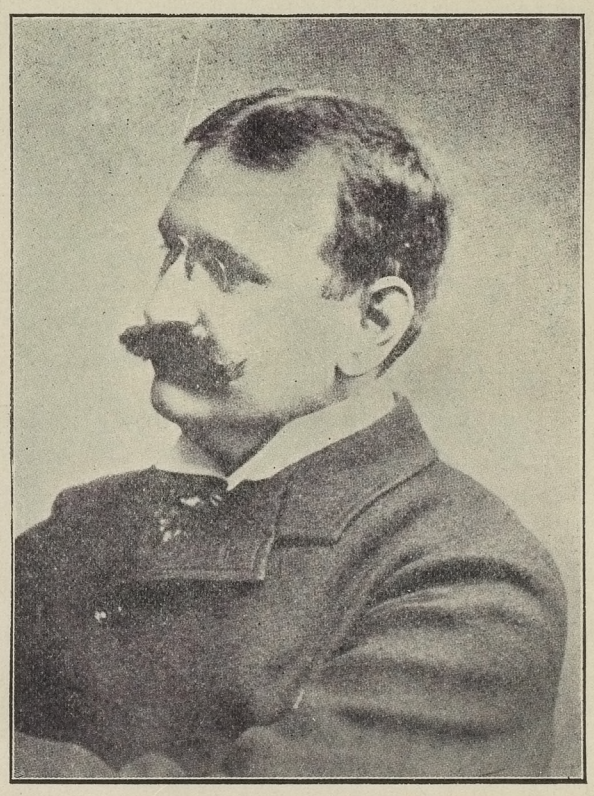
SONG BOOK, TO BE ISSUED NEXT MONTH, WILL RIVAL THOSE OF LARGE UNIVERSITIES. TO CONTAIN ALL OF HAMILTON'S SONGS.

In an effort to strengthen the ties which bind together this Hamilton family, a Song Book has been published this year, containing all of the College's songs. A notice of the book is carried in the advertising columns. It is a volume which, when every alumnus is supplied with it, will do much toward recalling the College to the mind of every alumnus. It is expected that the book will rival those of many larger universities in general excellence. Among the more important of the songs are "Carissima," "Cheer, Boys, Cheer," We Come To Hang Our Banners," "Hamilton, Fair Hamilton," Bullard's Stein Song, and many other of Hamilton's more popular Songs.



The Gates
Simple Stone Monuments at the entrance to Campus.

This is in brief a story of student life and activities at Hamilton College. It does not, it cannot, approximate the spirit of the life as is; words are meagre to convey the thousand and one little traditions that have been woven into the web of life on the Hill. The world finds many college customs ridiculous and unhealthy; yet if one searches closely into Hamilton's, he will see that most of them have a basis in logic.



G. W. Hinman, '84, President of Marietta College.

Dr. Terrett, deaceased Hamilton professor, stated the Hamiltonian creed simply and well when he said: "God made the man before he made the nation." It has been the doctrine of Hamilton, followed in the face of the modern craze for specialization, to fit men for all-round citizenship. Alexander Hamilton, who was called "the little fighter," would be proud of the College which bears his name, and of the breed of fighters which it has produced.

Hamilton's Athletics

BUFF AND BLUE WON BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP LAST YEAR, AND CAPTURED ALL DUAL MEETS IN TRACK. STEVE ROYCE, CAPTAIN LAST YEAR, WITH GIANTS LAST SUMMER.

The history of Hamilton athletics shows many signal triumphs, many broken records, and many men whose unusual ability has won renown for the Buff and Blue. In the present College generation Hamilton's teams have more than held their own with those of her dearest rivals, with aid of stars such as the College has at intervals produced.

In all intercollegiate schedules, Union College is Hamilton's natural rival, and it is toward games with the Garnet that each season is planned. Last year Hamilton defeated Union in a dual track meet, and later at the intercollegiates at Colgate, losing in football and baseball. The year previous, the Buff and Blue made a clean sweep of baseball and football, losing by a margin of three points in the dual track meet. The records of the past ten years show that Hamilton has won all but four of the football games played against Union, while baseball and track honors have been about evenly divided.

For a Hamilton player to "get in" for any contest against the Garnet is a considerable honor, and a goal which every candidate on the squad works for. Rivalry between the two institutions is, however, always friendly, and only clean sport is allowed. For the football games, each college sends its entire student body as a rooting section, and with special songs composed for the occasion the enthusiasm runs high. "Locomotive" yells, "We're out for gore," "cannon ball" yells, combined with all the "long" and "snap" yells, regularly used, keep the student cheering sections busy for days before the game. When the whistle finally blows to open this big contest of the girdiron season, each college proceeds to unloosen, with every bit of pep. The noise nearly deafens the average spectator.

SCHEDULES FOR COMING SEASON UNUSUALLY STIFF. ERHARDT AND LEE, '15, CAPTAINS OF BASEBALL AND TRACK, WILL TURN OUT GOOD TEAMS.

Outside of the Union game Hamilton has some very keenly fought struggles regularly with such opponents as Rochester University, St. Lawrence University, New York University, Colgate University and Hobart College. while new opponents are added each year to provide trips for the teams. The schedules for the coming season are as follows:

The Football Team, 1914 Season.

TRACK

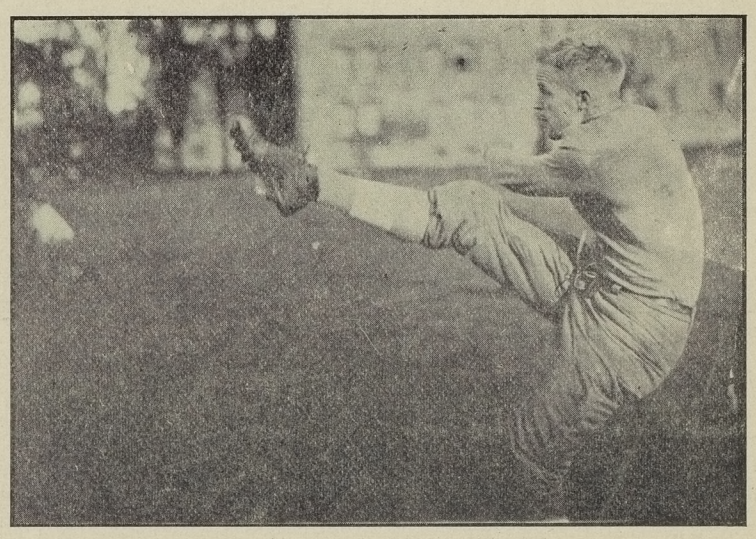
April 23-24, Pennsylvania Relays at Philadelphia, Pa.
May 8, Interclass Meet on Steuben Field, Clinton.
May 15, Rochester Dual Meet on Steuben Field, Clinton.
May 22, New York State Intercollegiates at Utica.
May 29, Union Dual Meet on Steuben Field, Clinton.

FOOTBALL.

September 25, Clarkson at Clinton.
October 2, St. Stephens at Clinton.
October 9, New York University at New York City.
October 16, Renssalaer Poly at Troy.
October 23, Hobart at Clinton.
October 30, St. Lawrence at Canton.
November 6, Rochester at Clinton.
November 13, Union at Clinton.

BASEBALL.

April 3, Fordham at New York.
April 7, New York Univeristy at Ohio Field.
April 10, Lehigh at South Bethlehem.
April 17, Syracuse at Syracuse.
April 30, Rochester at Rochester.
May 1, Hobart at Geneva.
May 5, Colgate at Hamilton.
May 8, Union at Schenectady.
May 14, Rochester at Clinton.
May 18, Union at Clinton.
May 27, Middlebury at Clinton.
May 29, Rutgers at Clinton.
June 3, Colgate at Clinton.



Captain F. L. LaForce, '15.

Of these games Fordham, Lehigh, Middlebury and Syracuse are new to the baseball schedule this year. The team leaves on an Easter trip around New York City, starting after the close of college for the vacation on April 1st. The first game is with Fordham on April 3rd. Because of weather conditions on College Hill, the baseball diamond is never used at home for Spring practice, but the team leaves two days earlier for practice work in New York City.

Fred Toerner of Harvard, a star pitcher, and one of the best coaches to be found, directs the baseball squad. This is his second year with Hamilton, and he is expected to make good as well as he did last season, when Hamilton captured the N. Y. State Intercollegiate Athletic Union League pennant. He will come to the Hill tomorrow to size up the situation and will pick twelve men to make the New York trip. The squad consists of over 30 men, and has been up to the present under the direction of Capt. Jack Erhardt, who has prescribed daily indoor work in the Gymnasium cage. This consists largely in batting for the basemen and fielders, while the pitchers have been doing slow hurling to get the kinks out of their arms.

The weather relented last week enough to permit one outdoor practice on the quadrangle between the Gym and Carnegie Hall, and the program will be continued with as much regularity as possible until the close of College for vacation.

Capt. Jack Erhardt, a Senior, is a star first baseman, with three years college experience in the diamond art, and a sound knowledge of the game. The squad has rounded into good form under his tutelage so far this Spring, in readiness for the coming of the Coach. Last season he made an excellent record at the initial sack, fielding at a rate of .960, and making only four errors out of 94 put-outs. Under his leadership, the 1915 team may expect to go thru a successful season.

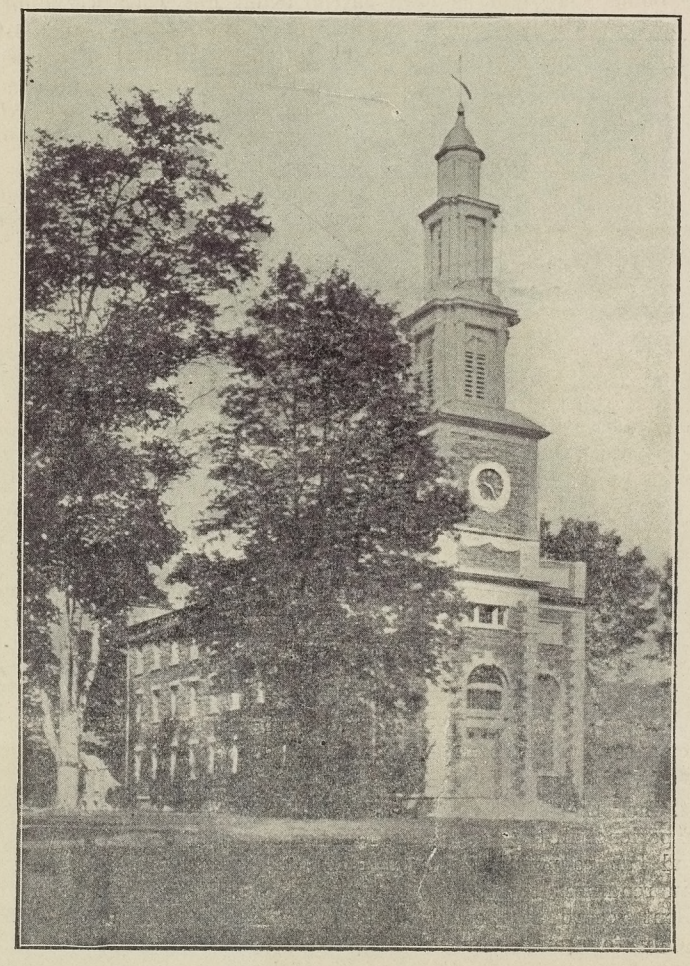
The greatest star whom Hamilton has ever produced captained last year's baseball team. The man is Stephen W. Royce, '14, now a student at the New York Law School. He had pitched parts of three seasons previous, but last year he broke all records. He made a record of 21 strike-outs in a nine-inning game, a feat which equalled the intercollegiate record made by Conzleman of Brown in 1911. Besides this unusual accomplishment, "Steve" kept up a batting percentage of .342, and a fielding average of .969.

It was following the memorable two days' trip through the western part of the state that the big leaguers began looking after "Steve." In a game with Hobart he struck out 20 men, and on the next day against Rochester, he swept 21 out at the plate. The result of this achievement was that scouts from six of the major leagues, including the Chicago White Sox, the Cincinnati Reds, Washington Americans, New York Yankees, and Boston Reds, wired or interviewed "Steve" in hopes of annexing him.

Track Squad, 1914 Season.

It then developed that "Steve" was not baseball crazy, altho he liked the game well enough to be a record-breaking pitcher. He refused to sign any contract, and up to the close of College, had made no arrangement. After graduation he went to his home at Liberty, N. Y., and rested up for a few weeks. Then came the news that he had joined the Binghamton Club of the State League. "Steve" never played with this aggrgation, however. He had scarcely arrived there before McGraw of the New York Giants wired him to join his club, and secured his release.

When Fall dropped around, and schools began opening up, however, Steve's hankering for the diamond dwindled into a more professional ambition of becoming a lawyer. The result was that he decided not to



College Chapel

renew agreements with Mr. McGraw, and entered New York Law School. When he announced this decision to John B. Foster, secretary of the Giants, Foster made him an offer whereby any time during the next two years, a berth would be open for him on the Giants if "Steve" changed his mind. Foster also added a caution that Royce should not sign up with the Feds.

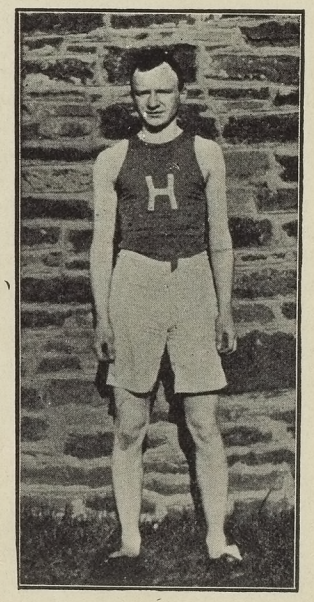
For the season, which is about to open, Hamilton is in a fair way to success. Much of the new material looks very good, especially the pitchers, while the team has for its backbone a group of veteran players. Capt. Erhardt will be at first base. For catchers, the team has a star in Art Miller, a Junior, who came to College from Dolgeville. He did fine work last season in supporting Royce. He caught every game with the exception of a few innings at Hobart, and made a reputation for reliable handling of the ball. His second base throwing has saved Hamilton many a run.

For pitchers, Hamilton will rely this season on seven candidates, who have reported for work. They are Louis Fulton, '15, of Massena; P. A. Fulton, '16, of Massena; Peter W. Daniels, '16, of Hempstead, L. I.; Clifton B. Whitman, '17, of Groton; R. S. Petersen, '17, of Novak, S. Dakota; Arthur P. Root, '18, of Cooperstown; and Carleton Schwartz, '18, of Clinton.

An Easter trip has won an established position on the schedule. It begins this year with a game at Fordham on April 3. Two other games are played around New York City, at New York University on April 7, and on April 10, the team is to make an excursion into Pennsylvania for a game with Lehigh at South Bethlehem. While at New York, several practice games will probably be scheduled with fast semi-pro. teams of the city, as was done last year. This serves the purpose of a southern training camp for the diamond boys.

Returning north, the team meets Syracuse University on April 17, and the schedule is then fairly under way. The remaining opponents are all fast, and the season promises to be the heaviest that the Buff and Blue has attempted to go up against for several years. Colgate, and Rutgers were not played last year, and are expected to offer stubborn resistance to the team. Both Capt. Erhardt and Coach Toerner are confident of getting away with our share of the games, however.

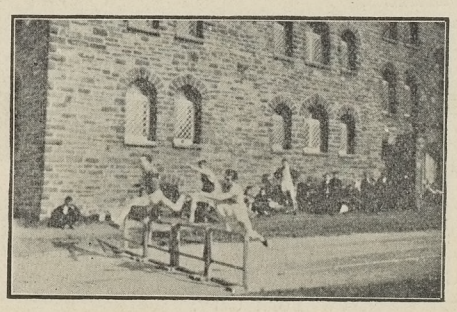
The candidates who make up the squad are given here with their respective positions: Catcher, Art Miller, Dolgeville; Willard Gow, Springfield Center; Milton D. Russell, Honesdale, Pa.; Charles M. Peck, Deansboro. Infield. Capt, John T. Erhardt, Brooklyn; William R. Higgins, Minneapolis, Minn.; Charles S. McLouth, Palmyra; David F. Aldrich, Palmyra; Frederick M. Griffith, Palmyra; Walter E. Donohue, New York; Joseph C. Behan, Troy; John Otto, Buffalo. Outfield, Joseph E. Whitcombe of Batavia; Millard Gow, Springfield Center; J. C. Donoghue, of Whitestone; Carlyle Fraser of Rochester; Reginald Cavanaugh of Boonville; James S. Fursman of Hudson Falls; Henry W. Griffith, Palmyra; David E. Powers of Clinton; T. B. Jones of Utica.



Capt. Lee, '15.

TRACK

Another big year in track is expected by the cinder path experts who watch our athletics. Last year Hamilton made a clean sweep of her dual meets, and took second place at the intercollegiates at Colgate. It was a remarkable season, both for this success, and for the record-breaking work of several men on the team. Capt. Lee's work was especially noteworthy. Besides winning 65 out of Hamilton's total 229 points, Lee broke the intercollegiate record for 140-yard dash, making it in 49 4-5 seconds. Shepard, a phenomenal Freshman pole vaulter, broke the intercollegiate record in his event at Colgate at 11 feet 7 inches. A third record was smashed by T. C. Jessup, a Senior, who made 137 feet 7 inches in the hammer throw, and a fourth was also made by him in the shot put event at 37 feet 1 inch. Capt. Lee again tied the record for the 100 yards in 10 1-5 seconds.

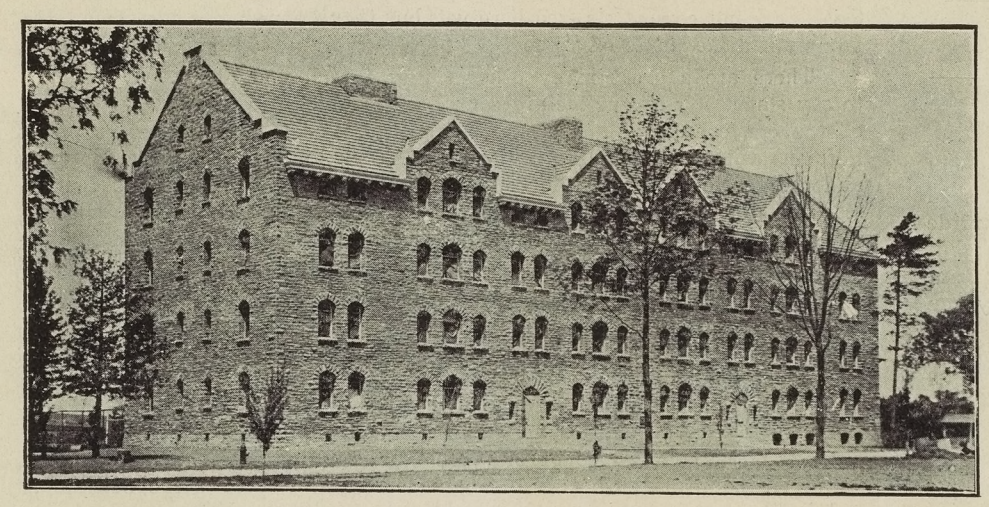


Winning The Hurdles.

With this bunch of record-breakers, Hamilton did great things last season, and Coach Floyd Risley, a former Penn man, and at one time holder of the world's record for the high jump, is confident of again getting away with a fine season. Thirty-seven track candidates are now working out in the College Gymnasium, under the direction of Capt. Lee. Weekly visits from Coach Risley keep the work going ahead in proper style. Risley is eager to get out of

doors and plans to do so before College closes for the Easter vacation.

The most convincing evidence that track prospects are bright for 1915, is the formation of a relay team which will be sent to enter the big relays at Philadelphia on April 23-24, under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania. Hamilton has never before entered this meet, and would not do so, unless the indications were strong for a very sizable success. Three veteran men will form the nucleus for the team, all of them very fast goers, and the fourth position will not be hard to fill,



Carnegie Dormitory.

it is believed. A few days ago,three of the candidates broke the College indoor track record for the 440-yard dash.

HAMILTON TO ENTER TEAM IN PENN RELAYS ON APRIL 24. SPRING FOOTBALL PRACTICE TO BEGIN AFTER EASTER VACATION.

Capt. Lee will head the team, while other likely candidates are Potter, '15, Squires, '17, and Shields, '18. Eighteen men have reported and have been assigned to training table. There will probably be no cut in the squad until after the Easter vacation. Five men will be taken to Philadelphia for the meet. Hamilton competes in a class with Colby, Colgate, Union, and others, on the afternoon of April 24.

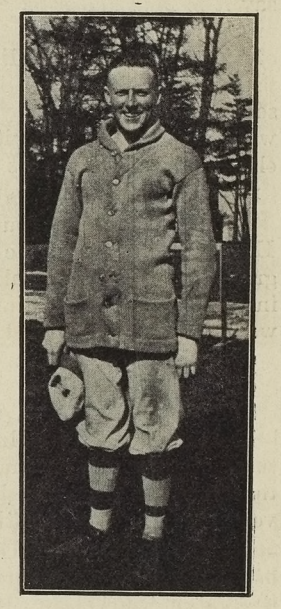
The rest of the schedule calls for dual meets with Rochester and Union at Clinton, and New York State Intercollegiates at Utica on May 22. This, with the interclass meet at Clinton on May 8, makes one of the best schedules that has been arranged in years, and will undoubtedly fit the proportions of the track squad exactly.

Spring football practice will be held for the first time this year, owing to the fact that Coach Pete Reynolds, the former Syracuse star half-back, wants to get a long lead on the season. Hamilton usually has a light football squad, with the result that speed has to be developed. Coach Reynolds worked with the team last season, and built up a strong foundation upon which to work. He feels that by developing what he calls a "fighting unit," and early drill in speed, he can make the season come his way. Last season the Buff and Blue trimmed the St. Lawrence aggregation by a decisive score, scoring a victory for the first time in five years over the northern contenders.

The greatest star of last season, Felix LaForce, the huge full-back, will be lost to the team by graduation, but Reynolds is counting on the development of speed to make up the deficiency. George V. Pope, '16, of Glencoe, Ill., is captain for the 1915 season. He is a star end, and a heady player. On the field he will be a good general.

Practice work will start immediately after Easter vacation. The season is ordinarily hard, and under good conditions the Buff and Blue ought to make good. The chief energies of the team will be directed toward administering defeat to Union, because of the defeat suffered at the close of last season.

Football, baseball and track are the only sports in which Hamilton is represented in the intercollegiate field. The minor sports, however, particularly basketball and tennis, receive their full quota of attention in intramural contests. Each year a series of basketball games is played between the various fraternity teams, so that each team meets every other team once during the season. This means that several games are played each week in the Gymnasium. furnishing plenty of excitement during the winter months. At the end of the season, an all college team is picked by the director of intramural sports. On the whole, the interest taken in basketball is almost as great as if an intercollegiate schedule were arranged.



Steve Royce, '14.

In the spring months, the tennis courts at the south of the athletic field draw all students who are not busy with track or baseball, and a tournament is annually arranged for all comers. Cups are offered for the singles and doubles champions.

And thruout all of Hamilton's athletic con- who doesn't die game is not the Hamilton kind. tests, the standard set is for clean and plucky sportsmanship. The man

It is not necessary to recite past glories of Hamilton teams to show what Hamilton fighting spirit means. We have just as good teams now as ever—teams that fight as hard as the teams did when we could hold Cornell to a touchdown and Columbia to a small score. Many of our former opponents have grown too large for us, but Hamilton teams have not yet been daunted. We still have on our teams men of the fighting calibre of "Bug" Thompson, '06, now one of the most faithful of our Alumni coaches, who, while he was yet a Freshman, dared defy a huge all-American tackle of Columbia.

To our Coaches, Floyd Risley of Track, "Pete" Reynolds of football, and Fred Toerner of Baseball, we owe much. We want to make them Hamilton fixtures. Each of them endorses Hamilton's athletic program for clean sportsmanship; each knows his business. We hope they may be with us for many years.

A new athletic field, promised two years ago, will be built before long, making the facilities for athletics much greater than at the present time. Steuben Field, which now includes the track, football gridiron and baseball diamond, will be used for track and baseball only. This improvement is sure to produce for Hamilton more carefully drilled teams. Every encouragement is offered to every man to engage in some kind of sport; no-one need feel crowded out because he is not a phenomenal athlete.

Hamilton's creed in regard to athletics may be simply stated as follows: "We want athletes; but they must be more than athletes."

Baseball Team, 1914 Season

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EDITORIAL.

To The Sub-Freshmen.

Hamilton's welcome to you all! Some day many of you, we hope, will say it is kind and most august. For many, many years, she has nourished men "whose proof is in time and deed"; some of you will know the pride of that lineage. The Hill is always fair, the air is always delicate; but particularly now, when Spring comes lightly in, the charm of this pleasant seat of old fidelity and young happiness becomes irresistible. If only you will jog up the Hill with us in the twilight, and pass under the calm elms, and hear the songs and know the friendliness of this place—you will not seek farther, for your heart will have come home.

The first thing you will like about this College is the way we say HELLO. You won't be able to get very far up the Hill before you are greeted. Everyone speaks to everyone else here. Hamilton was founded in the dawn of the nation; some of the nation-builders of that great time were the guardians of the College's infancy. Any Freshman will show you where Steuben laid the cornerstone, or where Trustee Hamilton used to visit Dominie Kirkland. We have never forgotten the principles for which those men lived; the splendid adventure of democracy has always held our faiths. Never let anyone tell you that this is a rich man's college. We believe in the past most firmly, but we are Americans enough to know that the best is yet to be. We have seen a college catalog in which a venerable Dean boasts that a poor man has been elected captain of his football team, and that a man of wealth visited a sick classmate who was penniless. The state of snobbery which finds it necessary to call attention to such facts is inconceivable at Hamilton. There are various societies here, most of them using Greek letter insignia: but they find it possible to enjoy brotherhood without that atrocious puppyism which has been misnamed the Fraternity Spirit. There are no "barbarians" at Hamilton; every man stands upon intrinsic merit—or falls for lack of it. Whatever else Hamilton may be, it is democratic.

Unless you are not our kind, you are going to college to study and to think: you are looking for good instructors. We have them here—we have always had them, our Norths and our Roots and all the other good names that you will read in that stone directory under the hill-crest. Our present Faculty is composed of men trained in the best schools of America and Europe, but not chosen merely for degrees and dissertations. They are gentlemen you will come to know outside the class-room, and whom you can reverence with the finest affection that a college man can know. All of them can teach you things which are not in books; all of them have interests outside the subjects which they teach; all of them are interested primarily in **men.** Here you may learn of Economics from one who has himself made laws at Albany—and who will make more. Here you may study the shifting lights of international politics from one who has visited all lands and has lectured even in the Orient.

And you will learn to **Speak**. Not long ago the writer was chatting with a Massachusetts man, the casual acquaintance of railroad journey. As we approached Utica, the gentleman said: "Speaking of colleges, there's a college out here named Hamilton that was a unique reputation. It seems as if every man who ever graduated from it has become a statesman by proscriptive right. I was amazed to find what a little army of Hamilton men there are in Albany and Washington. Yes sir, and the greatest statesman of our day at the head of them—Elihu Root." The reasons for such a reputation are manifold, so intimately connected with the history of the nation. The second lies in our tenacious belief in the value of training in public speaking. When you enter Hamilton you begin a four years' course in public speaking, a course which no other college pretends to equal. Declamation, rhetoric, debate, oratory—all the phases and elements of vocal eloquence are studied, until a man can stand upon his feet and speak himself out, as Carlyle would say, with assurance and power. Have you ever felt the rushing joy of holding an audience of your peers? Do you know what Brieux meant when he said that the gift of public eloquence is the most terrible and god-like power in the world? In that power are met all the combined beauties of sentiment and reason, or art and truth.

How this love of oratory takes hold of a man you can not guess until you have felt it. The head of the department is an able instructor, and he has a good assistant, but the inspiration does not end with them. President Stryker himself is a supremely great orator. Old grads come back from the law-court, the pulpit, or the legislature to drill the undergraduates; and one is never surprised to hear some such conversation as this:

"How about a drill?"

"Wait half an hour. Sherwin, '67, has a Sophomore in the Chapel and Prex is drilling a Senior in the Gym."

Of course, you are interested in athletics. There is an excellent gymnasium and a pool—you will have to learn to swim—and plenty of tennis-courts and an athletic field. The air of the Hill makes you want to exercise and develop your body. It's a little college, and no one ever needs to feel that there's no place for him in sports because he isn't a phenomenal athlete. No one is ever "bought" for Hamilton. Our teams rank well with those of other colleges; last year we took the N. Y. S. I. A. U. baseball championship, and ranked second in track. Whether we win or lose we keep our reputation for clean and plucky sportsmanship, and that is what will count with you when you are picking a college. If you are an athlete you will be appreciated, but you will have to be something else if you expect to stay here. It's fun to be a member of the fighting, never-say-die team, who play for sport and win or lose like gentlemen Sports are not commercialized here yet, but they flourish just the same. If you want an example of "pep" attend any Hamilton game.

There are a great many other things to tell you about. We ought to say something of our lecture course, of our concerts of chamber music, of the musical clubs—glee and instrumental, of the various college publications with advisors like Samuel H. Adams, '91, of the new Library and the gentle bookman who has set many a young man upon the deathless quest of beauty. We are a singing college, a reading college, a speaking college—a college of multitudous friendliness and diverse eargerness. We are not a high brow college, because the high-brow is a snob and therefore not an American.

These words have not told you much about the real Hamilton. They will not explain to you why no Alumnus can say two words without lifting his head up: "The Hill." At the least, the thing which ennobles all loves and faiths and friendships, the impetus and crown of patriotism itself, is loyalty. Come to us, stand upon our hilltop under the ancient elms, smell the fragrance of our Rose of an Hundred Years, and catch your breath up at the beauty of the world. Down there is the Oriskany, red in the sunrise as with old battles: up here the mystery and music of the dawn's sunny miracle. Just so the sunlight once glittered upon the swords of Hamilton and Steuben, while Samuel Kirkland and Skenandoa of the Oneidas prayed for the nation's youth. Before our eyes is the same great vision of America, the beautiful, the brave! Great tasks are before her and great songs: for her, the sword of Hamilton is always bright, and for her the prayer of Kirkland still speaks the benediction of a stainless antiquity. And when we—and you, young brothers—go home in the dusk, it shall be found that the Loyalty of the Hill was the deep spirit of America, whose beginning was with Jehovah Sabaoth, and whose strength is the glory of His domain.

The Swan Sings.

"The end crowns all, and that old common arbitrator, time, will one day end it."

The 1914-15 **Life** Board surrenders control of the publication with no hypocritical prostestations of regret. We are thru; and we're glad of it. Yet combined with the dizzy hilarity of release from the responsibilities of the position, we confess to an unpleasant consciousness of our failures. Many small compunctions assail us. During our year of tenancy, conditions have arisen demanding that the editorial policy of the publication be stated clearly and boldly. And in pursuing a policy of impartiality (as light was given us), antagonisms have been aroused. For these we are sincerely sorry; yet we will not not say that we would now act differently under similar circumstances. It will be a grievous day on the old Hill when there are no longer differences of opinion. In honest dissatisfaction and discord there is much of what the Spaniards call salt; it stings healthily, it is sane, temperate.

In our aim to record College activities faithfully, we have at least been honest. The functions of a college newspaper are, within its little sphere, identical with those of a daily journal. Everything that occurs must be flung pell-mell into one over-flowing pot-au-feu. Therefore it becomes the journalist's duty to decide whether or not college activities are to be mirrored in their true light; whether the publication is to be a reliable history of college life, or dimmed with conventional veneer. Here our stand has been unequivocal. If we have failed, it was because our fingers were thick and left a blurred line; our intentions were vivid and sure.

For after all, **Life**'s real and ultimate function is to reflect in some degree the heart, the sentiment, of our Lady on the Hill. On our Campus there breathes a serene atmosphere of simple provincialism, upon which men of the spirit and manliness of Elihu Root have thriven. Only when that atmosphere is reproduced in her columns, is **Life** worthy of the College she represents. Smart and sinuous speech and tawdry cabaret frivolity have no place in true service to the College. And so again, we are sorry—where we have failed to notice the true fragrance of the manuscript of College life.

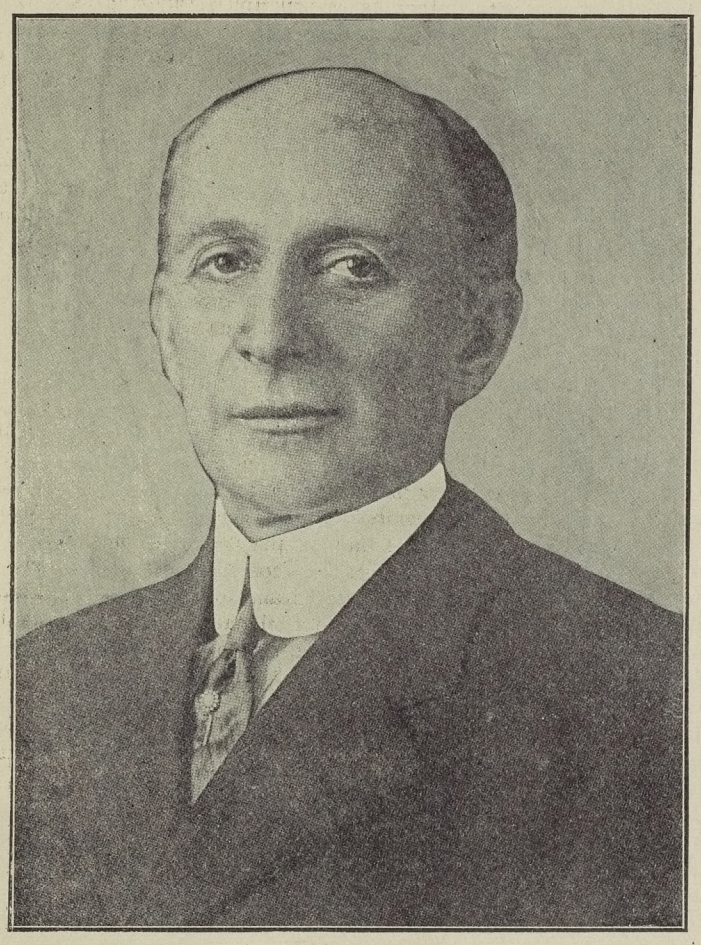
There are many of which none of us speaks much, as we spend our four years here in dazzling youth: the genuineness of our friendships, the fine cleanliness of all our undergraduate endeavors, the splendor of our individual aspirations and strivings. It would be well if we spoke of them more and louder, making our College publications insinuate that sentiment into the hearts of all Hamilton men. Accordingly, an editor's duties as monitor of college activities should not be taken too seriously. Editors should not expect that they have but to shout "Tally-Ho," and everyone will break into a gallop on the road to El Dorado. Enough to make sure that the "healthy provincialism," of which we boast so loudly, does not fade into a dream.

We surrender to other hands the duties which have become very real to us, knowing well that the incoming Board will carry on manfully the work that remains to do. For a year other editors must blow the trumpet for the battle of well-doing, must attempt to "nier ce qui est et expliquer ce qui n'est pas." Let them prove that there is still aspiration and yearning on the Hill! Let them show the heart of our Lady to the world that is harsh and grown-up and tired!

Interscholastic Week

ON MAY 14 AND 15, ALL POSSIBLE SUB-FRESHMEN ARE INVITED TO THE HILL. SEND IN NAMES TO PROFESSOR LEWIS. A BIG TIME ASSURED.

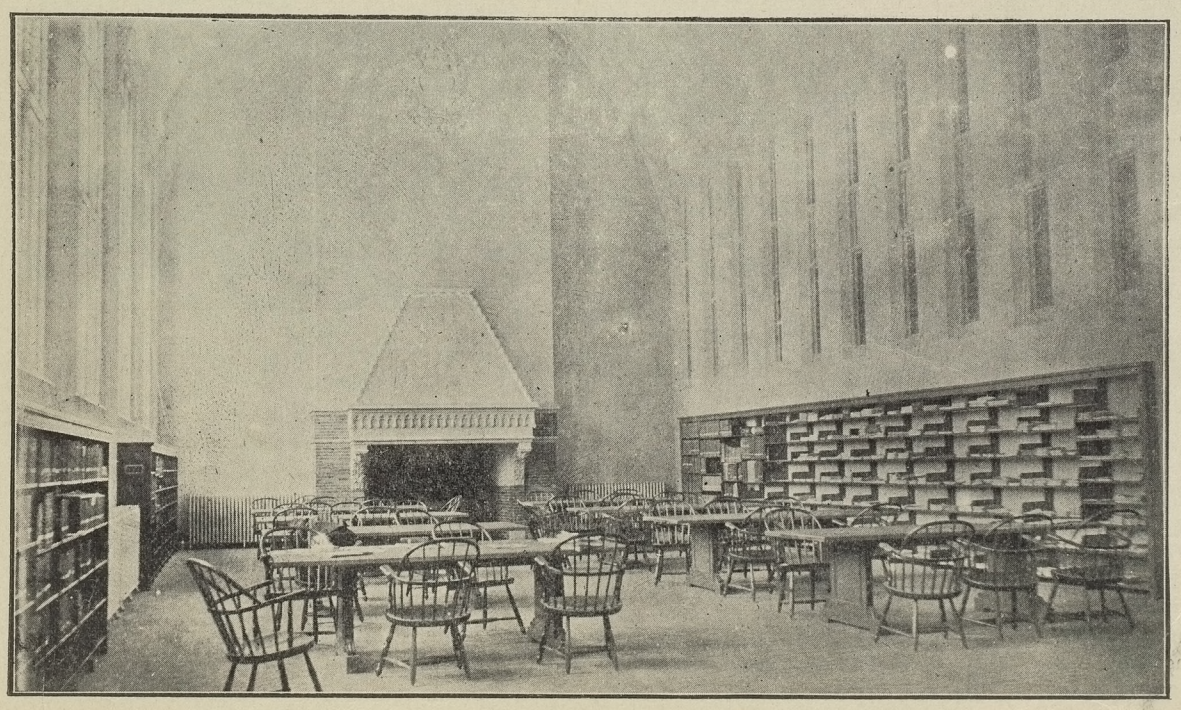
On May 14 and 15, Friday and Saturday, Hamilton's doors will be flung open to their widest to welcome to the Campus the sub-Freshmen who will be the temporary guests of the College. All the attractions, which Hamilton can offer, will be displeyed at their best for the enjoyment of every college-bound lad whose fancy or whose friends have led him hither. For that is the date of Interscholastic Week, sacred to the Order of sub-Freshmen.



Clinton Scollard, '81.

The activities of Interscholastic Week will begin on Friday afternoon with a baseball game on Steuben Field between Hamilton and Rochester University. The game will be followed by a College dinner in the evening in Commons Hall, to which all the prospective students are invited. The undergraduates will be there in a body, and there will be a series of speeches of welcome directed at sub-Freshmen.

On Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock in the College Chapel, comes the Interacademic Prize Speaking Contest. Saturday afternoon there will be a track meet on the Campus with Rochester.



In the Reading Room of the New Library.

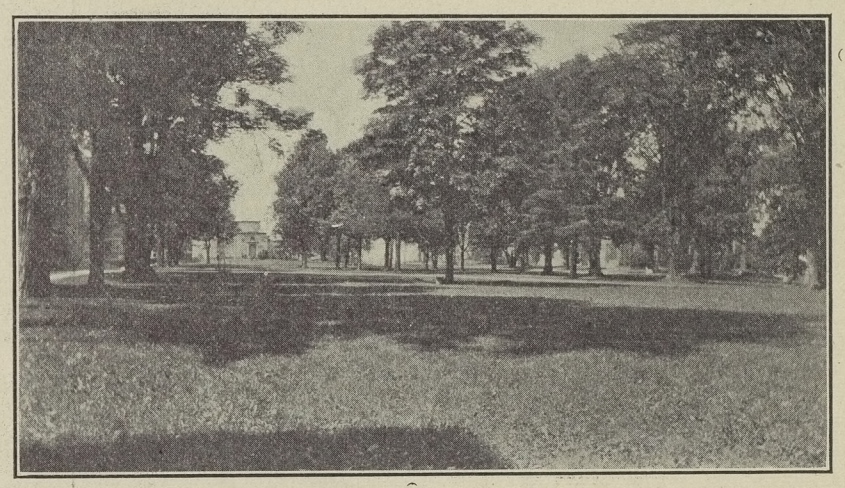
The real sub-Freshman event is the Interacademic Speaking Contest, conducted by the Department of Oratory of the College. The speakers who take part are chosen as the result of preliminary contests held all over the state among local high schools. Two prizes are awarded to the successful speakers, a first prize of $20 and a second prize of $10.

This year there are to be seven preliminary contests held, under the supervision of Hamilton Alumni in the different localities. The cities in which the contests take place are Utica, Rochester, Albany, Binghamton, New Rochelle, New York, and Newark, New Jersey.

The Rochester contest is to be held on April 16. That at New Rochelle comes on April 30, and the contests in Utica and Binghamton are both set for May 7. The dates of the other three contests are not yet definitely known. The College pays the expenses to Clinton of the winner and the second best speaker in each of these contests.

Last year there were twelve contestants who reached the finals, chosen in eight preliminary contests. About seventy-five schools sent representatives to the preliminaries. This year, Professor Lewis, head of the Department of Rhetoric and Orator, estimates that there will be 142 high schools represented, a record-breaking number.

Hamilton has long been famed as the home of the best sort of pub-



A Campus View.

lic speaking, and the Interacademic Contest is one of the events of the year. Formerly Interscholastic Week was also the occasion of an interscholastic track meet, such as are held at Cornell and many other colleges of the state. Last year, however, this meet was done away with as entirely ineffectual toward accomplishing its primary purpose, namely, to attract prospective Freshmen to the College.

Years of experience showed that the track meet did not attract the proper class of preparatory school students. For this reason it was thought best to abolish the meet, while retaining the other features of Interscholastic Week and making greater effort to bring to the Campus the men who are the most promising material for Hamilton College entering classes.

This action made last year's Interscholastic Week the most successful, from the standpoint of the College, that has ever been held here. Many sub-Freshmen were entertained at fraternity houses, saw a baseball game and a track meet, attended the College dinner, and enjoyed themselves generally. Later, a number of them entered with the Class of 1918. This year Interscholastic Week will be yet more important. The speaking contest promises to be the very best. The athletic contests will both be close, but with slight odds on Hamilton's side. Last year Rochester baseball team twice met defeat at the hands of the Hamilton nine, and her track team also fell before the Buff and Blue runners. The famous old Campus, on which Thomas Jefferson bestowed a row of poplars, and where the graduating classes of a half-a-century planted fifty varieties of living monuments, will be dressed in its best. The College will lay aside its cares and welcome its guests with open arms.

And so, Mr. Sub-Freshman, for that brief time, all we have is yours.

If it's possible for you to be here at that time, please send your name to Prof. C. L. Lewis, Clinton, N. Y., and all arrangements will be made for your entertainment.

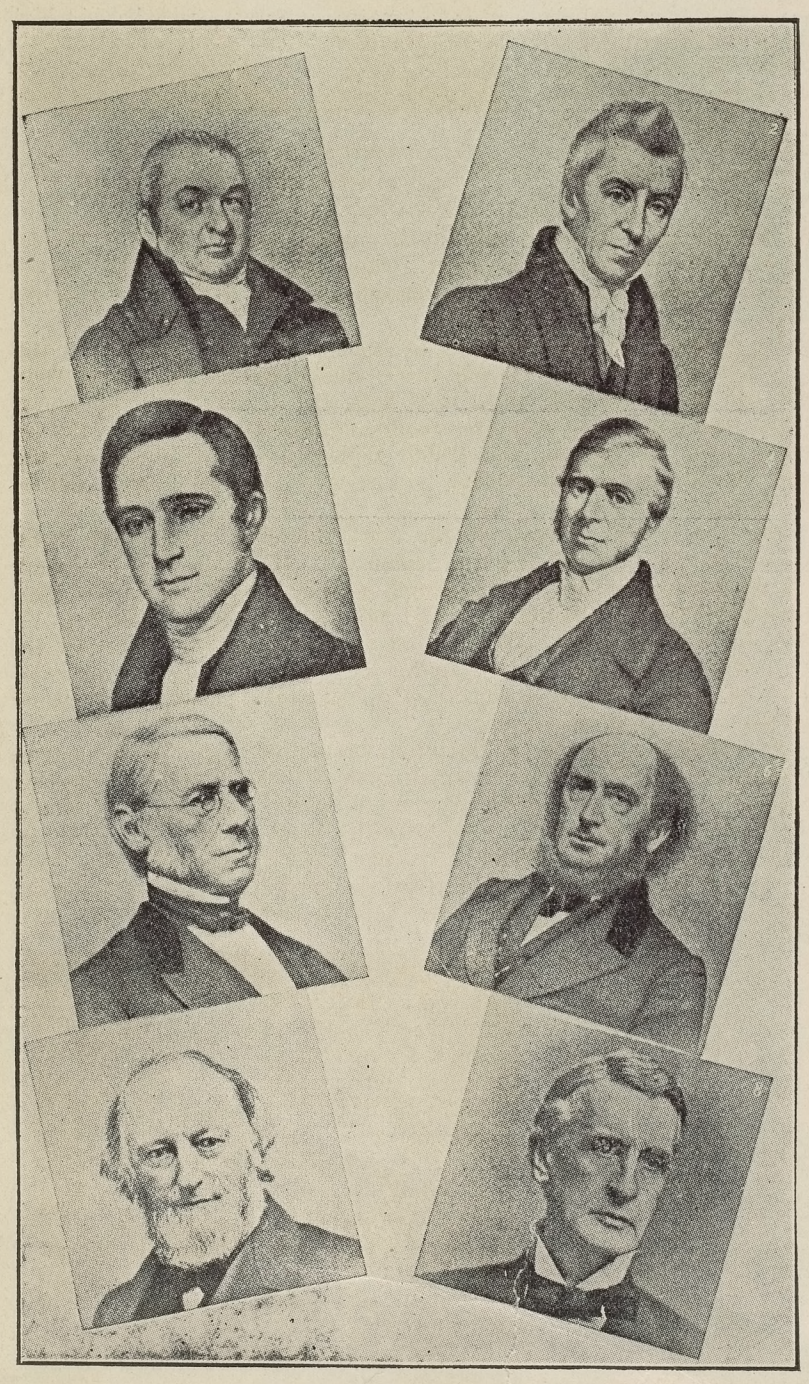
And you, Alumni, who have acquaintances who are thinking of college, send them on for our Interscholastic Week. They will have a taste of College life at its best, and they will come back thrilled with Hamilton spirit. Last year this was one of the big things to draw men here. This year the number of schools represented is doubled; we want to double the number of attending sub-Freshmen. This is your opportunity.

History of Hamilton College

FOUNDED THRU THE ZEAL OF SAMUEL KIRKLAND, MISSIONARY TO THE ONEIDA INDIANS, HAMILTON HAS SERVED AMERICA MORE THAN A HUNDRED YEARS.

SAMUEL KIRKLAND, missionary to the Oneida Indians in the late years of eighteenth century, was the potent spirit which gave life to Hamilton College. It was he who, a century and a quarter ago, conceived the idea which took lasting form in 1793 in Hamilton Oneida Academy. The granting of a college charter to Hamilton College nineteen years later, in 1812, was only an incident in the development of an institution already firmly established.

There are few collegs outside of New England which can boast so great an age. There are fewer in the country which can claim an existence of so great usefulness to the nation. Brought into being by the unlimited ardor of the missionary Kirkland, nurtured by the superabundant activity of his successors, the College stands firm to the ideals of a century. Its years have been years of achievement, and of great. strong dreams. Dedicated to the advancement of liberality and freedom



PRESIDENTS OF THE COLLEGE

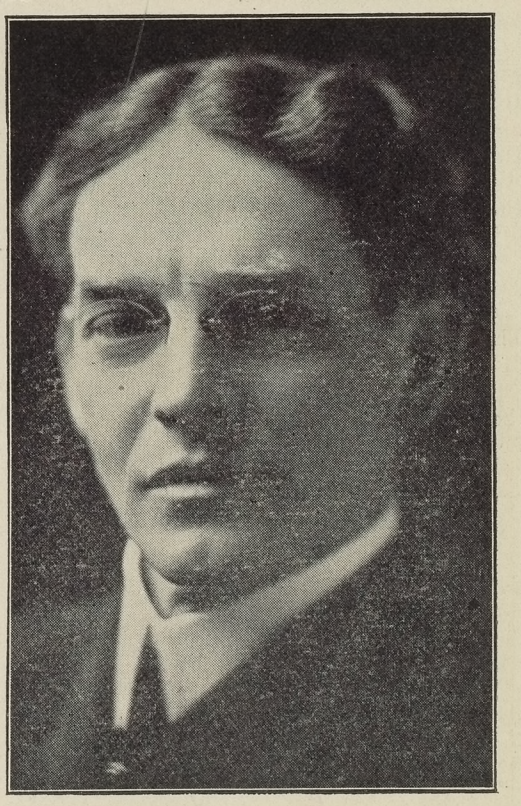
Left to right: 1st row, Dr. Azel Backus, Dr. Henry Davis; 2nd row, Dr. Sereno E. Dwight, Dr. Penney; 3rd row, Dr. Simeon North, Dr. Samuel Ware Fisher; 4th row, Dr. Samuel Gilman Brown, Dr. Henry Darling.

of thought and conscience, it has stood for the best in the sciences and the arts; and today has emerged as the realization of Dominie Kirkland's dream, still insistent upon a reverent regard for the imperishable wisdom of the ancient world, still zealous with that same patriotic fire which burned in so many that issued from its doors in the Sixties.

The premable of the deed in which the site of the College was donated by Samuel Kirkland, reflects accurately the spirit which actuated the foundation of the academy. It says: "A serious consideration of the importance of education and an early improvement and cultivation of the human mind . . . . has induced and determined me to contribute of the ability wherwith my Heavenly Benefactor hath blessed me, towards laying the foundation of a school or academy in the town of Whitestown and the county of Herkimer, contiguous to the Oneida nation of Indians, for the mutual benefit of the young and flourshing settlements in said county, and the various tribes of confederate Indians; earnestly wishing that the institution may grow and flourish, that the advantages of it may be extensive and lasting, and that under the smiles of the God of wisdom and goodness, it may prove an eminent means of diffusing useful knowledge, enlarging the bounds of human happiness, aiding the reign of virtue and the kingdom of the Blessed Redeemer." It has been such a spirit which has served as a guiding lamp to the feet of the institution; it has been a zeal like this which has preserved Hamilton's body politic in a healthy state. Upon these principles, favoring as they did the admission of red as well as well as white, has grown up Hamiltonian democracy, which has held firm thru the vicissitudes of a century and a quarter of changes. A glance at the roll of Hamilton's prominent Alumni is sufficient proof that the career of the College has been one of positive and far-reaching usefulness.

The history of the College may be recorded in the biographies of its leaders, the men whose unlimited ardor has made the College great. They called Alexander Hamilton "the little lion." From the institution to which he gladly lent his name have issued the breed of the lion, to fight for the faith and the honor of their country. And the first and one of the greatest of the lion-hearted band which has, decade after decade, carried the College's standard, was Samuel Kirkland. When Hamilton Oneida Academy was founded, the smoke of the Revolution was still in the air. Kirkland was at the blush of his national influence. Thruout the war he had served his country zealously and effectively, and had been thrown into intimate relations with Washington and Hamilton and Schuyler and Pickering and Knox. His plan to institute a school "to educate the Indians, particularly of the five nations," then, was the outcome of his activities during the struggle for national independence. Washington is said to have expressed a warm interest in the institution, and Hamilton consented to become one of the Trustees and furnish all the aid in his power. From Hamilton, Dominie Kirkland obtained a gift of a lot of land, and when the charter had been granted for the academy. Kirkland donated the present site of the College. It was perched high on a summit overlooking the Mohawk and the Oriskany valleys, in the heart of a wilderness of forests.

The Academy was designed to be a school for both whites and Indians, so Kirkland with propriety chose as the site for the building a spot near the property line which then separated the white from the Indian possessions. A monument erected by the Class of 1886 between the Chapel and South College on the present Campus, commemorates the site. Thus the dream of Kirkland was realized. He had established an agency of civilization which was destined to go far in solving the race problem of his time, combining the elements of the true spirit of Christianity and the spirit of patriotism in its highest development.

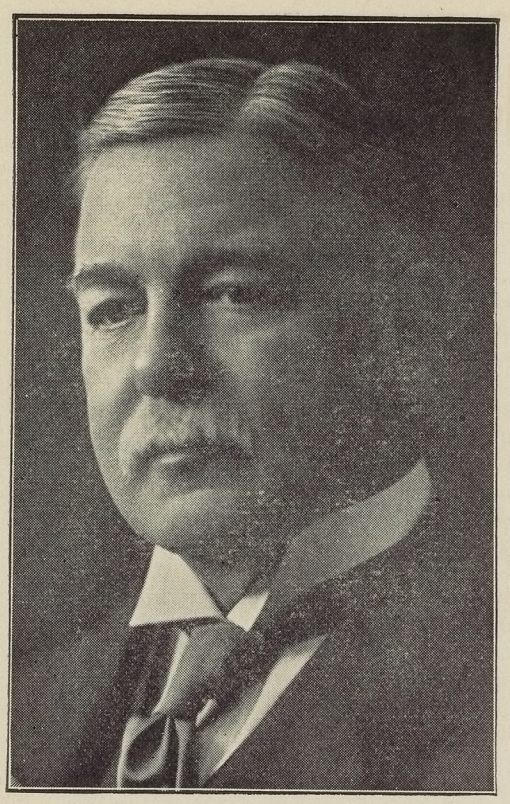


William Arnold Shanklin, '83, President of Wesleyan University

The growth of the Academy was rapid. President Timothy Dwight of Yale, visiting the region in 1799 wrote: "This seminary is already of considerable importance, and contains fifty-two students, of both sexes, under the care of two instructors. The scheme of education, professedly pursued in it, includes the English, Latin and Greek languages, and most of the liberal arts and sciences."

When Hamilton Oneida Academy became Hamilton College in 1812, Union and Columbia were the only other colleges in the state. The need of enlarging Hamilton's sphere of usefulness was imperative, and a subscription was opened to secure fifty thousand dollars, in order to obtain a charter and secure an additional fifty thousand from the state. Stephen Van Renselaer of Albany headed the list with a subscription of one thousand dollars, and within a few months the money was collected. On May 26th, the Regents of the State University granted a charter to Hamilton College. At once, by direction of the Trustees of the College, the unfinished Academy building was completed, and additions were made in keeping with the added dignity of the institution.

The Rev. Dr. Azel Backus was inaugurated first president of the Col-



Chester T. Lord, '73
Retired Managing Editor of N. Y. "Sun."

lege in the village church on December 3rd, 1812, the first of the line of nine presidents which Hamilton has had in her hundred and three years.

When good President Backus died in 1816, the Rev. Dr. Henry Davis, then president of Middlebury College, was invited to fill the vacancy. Dr. Davis, a graduate of Yale, had at the time already filled professorships at Williams and Yale and Union, and held in his hand an invitation to become president of Yale at the same time that he received the invitation from Hamilton. He accepted the latter call, and presided over the College from 1817 to 1833. His administration was mainly occupied with matters pertaining to government and discipline, and in looking after the material interests of the College. The prosperity of the institution continued until 1823, when a student prank, in which a cannon was exploded in Old South College, led to a controversy which almost emptied the institution of students. In 1828-29, but nine students remained in the College. Thereafter the tide of prosperity rolled back, and by 1835 the recoverey was complete.

Whether or not the College should be moved to Utica was the vital point under discussion during the next administration—that of President Sereno E. Dwight. President Dwight was the son of the famous Timothy Dwight of Yale. Before accepting the call to Hamilton, President Dwight had been chaplain of the United States Senate and pastor of the Park Street Church, Boston. It was the defeat of the proposal to move the College to Utica which led to his resignation two years later. Today we should be glad that the proposal was defeated, for now with the trolley line the College is practically a Utica institution, yet free from urban inconveniences. As Senator Root said in his Centennial address, "the College is nearer Utica now than New Hartford or Whitesboro was then." President Dwight has been described by Anson Stowe Miller, '35, as "above the ordinary size, of majestic bearing and commanding presence, and a splendid orator. He was always ready, as an offhand debater, to treat every subject with appropriate grace and force."

Samuel Hopkins Adams, '91.
Author and Journalist.

President Dwight's successor was Dr. Penney, who had studied at Dublin University and at Glasgow University. He brought to the service of the College accurate scholarship, but expected from students greater regard for law and order that undergraduate nature would warrant.

Under President Simeon North, who succeeded President Penney, the College enjoyed an era of great prosperity. His scholarship was accurate and profound, and his character is still remarked for a perfect kindliness of spirit and charm of manner. Kindness, firmness, promptness in action were all his. During his administration Dr. Henry Mandeville occupied the chair of Rhetoric, and it was at this time that the famous Mandeville system of elocution was established.

The sixth president of the College, like all his predecessors, was a graduate of Yale. Dr. Samuel Ware Fisher was a man of great administrative ability. He emphasized particularly the necessity of giving the Bible an important place in the College curriculum. Dr. Fisher was president from 1858 until 1866. It was during his administration that the College was drained of a greater number of its men to fill the ranks of the army of the Union. His regime was made notable, however, by the graduation of Hamilton's greatest Alumnus , the Senator Elihu Root.

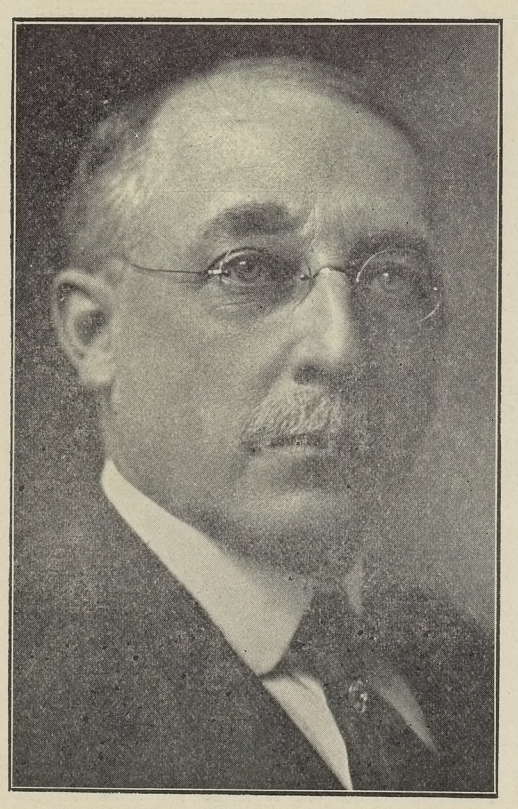
All records point to Samuel Gilman Brown, the successor of President Fisher, as a Christian man of singular strength. Senator Hawley said of him: "It has not been my fortune to come in contact with a sweeter Christian spirit." He was president of the College for fourteen years.

Dr. Henry Darling, a graduate of Amherst, was the eighth president of the College, and during his ten year's administration the College flourished. Old South and Old North were both remodeled, so that the equipment at that time included two serviceable dormitories, the Chapel, the Observatory, the old Library, and Middle College, used as a dormitory and recitation hall. President Darling was a gentle and pious man, patient and devout.

And this brings us down to the ninth president, Melancthon Woolsey Stryker, who has yet needs no monument. He is the first of Hamilton's presidents who has been a Hamilton man himself; under his energetic administration Hamilton College has taken its longest strides. To him is due the credit for having secured the buildings which make Hamilton's presidents who has been a Hamilton man himself, and under his enerardor and zeal which has systematised college government so remarkably from that of a few decades ago.

To complete a history of Hamilton, the words of her most eminent Alumnus, Senator Elihu Root, in the Centennial address may most properly be quoted: "Hamilton has held to the old faith. She has never sought to be a vocational institution. She does not teach men to be lawyers or doctors or clergymen or bankers or farmers. She in an educational institution. She seeks to develop, to train, to form, to educate, youths to be men competent to fit themeselves for any profession. She has been kept true by her traditions, by the strain of simple farmer boys who have come plodding over the hills to her examinations, by the great proportion of her students, who come not because they are sent, or because it is the correct thing to do, but because they are eager to make their way in the world. The College has grown, the buildings are more numerous and expensive, the physical appliances are more adequate, the endowment is more ample. The pathetic little schedule of property of a century ago has long since passed the million mark. But all these things are of minor importance, for what would it profit the College to gain them and lose its own soul? The richest possessions of the institution are the multitude of lives, past and present, that would never have been educated if the College had not been here; the intelligence that would not have been enlarged by learning and literature; the spirits that would not have been quickened but for her; the unrecorded influences for the betterment of a thousand communities to which her graduates have gone; the part she has played in the development of our country along lines of Christian civilization. The great thing to be said, as we review the century, is that the College always has been, in its essential character the same institution which drew its life, in the wilderness, from the struggles and sacrifices of Kirkland—always inspired by the same spirit, faithful to the same cause, and working out the same beneficent purpose."

So Hamilton has entered upon her second century of usefulness with a stainless record—a college which is great enough to be small. If the second be as glorious as the first century, all will be well.



Senator Frederick W. Griffith, '86.
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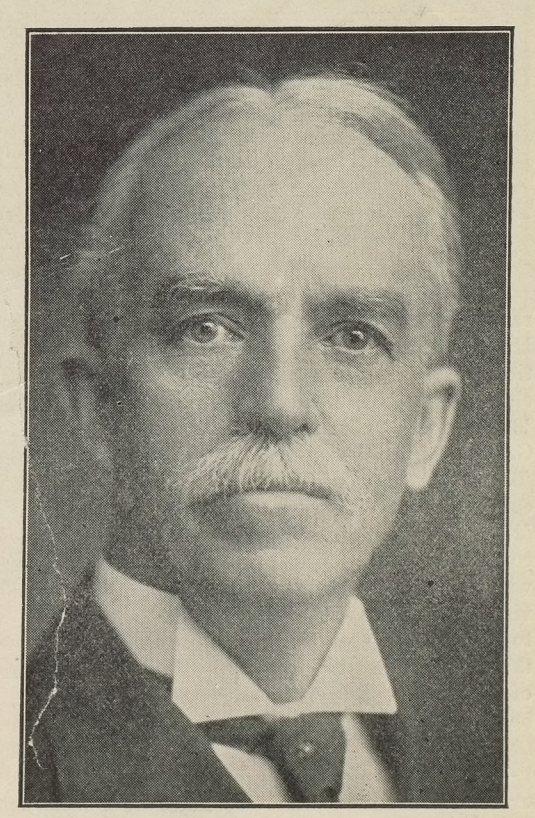

Arthur I. Hoyt, '72.
Professor at Auburn Seminary.

Hamilton's Famous Alumni.

A list of Hamilton's most famous Alumni follows: Edward Robinson, '16, one of America's greatest Greek scholars and Palestinian explorers; David Baker Jewett, '16, U. S. Senator from Illinois; Charles P. Kirkland, '16, delegate Const. Con., 1846; Stephen W. Taylor, '17, pres. Madison University; George W. Lay, '17, state legislator and Charge d'Affaires at Stockholm-under-Tyler; Asher Tyler, '17, M. C., Gerrit Smith, '18, M. C., anti-slavery agitator; Fletcher M. Haight, '18, U. S. Judge; Albert Barnes, '20, one of the greatest preachers and authors of his day; Rutger Bleecker, '21, and Abijah Gilbert, '22, U. S. Senators; W. J. Bacon, '22, Supreme Court Bench; H. H. Kellogg, '22, pres. Knox College; A. P. Grant and Hugh White, '23, M. C.; Asa Mahan, '24, author, pres. Oberlin University and University of Cleveland; Morgan L. Martin, '24, M. C.; George William Clinton, '25, son of Governor DeWitt Clinton, and Mayor of Buffalo; Thomas M. Foote, '25, Minister to Austria; John Chase Lord, '25, author; Augustus William Smith, '25, pres. Wesleyan University; Joel Smith Bacon, '26, pres. Columbia College, Washington, D. C.; Daniel D. Whedon, '28, prominent Methodist theologian; Ward Hunt, '28, U. S. Court Justice; James Knox, ex-29, M. C.; John Cochrane, '31, M. C., Attorney General of New York, candidate for vice-presidency of the nation with Fremont, acting Mayor of New York; Thomas T. Davis, '31, M. C.; Ashel C. Kendrick, '31, member of Board for Revision New Testament; Daniel D. Pratt, '31, U. S. Senator; Samuel Eells, '32, founder of Alpha Delta Phi; John C. Underwood, '32, U. S. Judge in Virginia; Hiram V. Wilson '32, Federal Judge in Ohio; Philemon Bliss, M. C., chief justice, South Dakota; William Bradford, '33, editor New York Evangelist; Oren Root, '33, professor Mathematics, Hamilton; Charles B. Sedgwick, '34, M. C.; Benjamin W. Dwight, author and professor; Andrew Oliver, ex-35, Judge and M. C.; Daniel Huntingdon, '36, famous portrait painter; Theodore B. Lyman, '37, Episcopal Bishop of North Carolina; Philip Fraser, '37, U. S. Judge in Florida; James W. Taylor, '38, delegate Ohio Const. Con., 1851; Gold T. Curtis, '39, member first Const. Con.; Minnesota; Henry Shaw, ex-'37 (Josh Billings); William Pitt Lynde, ex-'38, Attorney General, Wisconsin and M. C.; James M. Noxon, ex-'38, Judge Supreme Court; James O. Putnam, ex-'38, Consul to France and Minister to Belgium; Austin Blair, ex-'39, Gov Michigan and M. C.; John U. Pettit, ex-'39, speaker Ind. Legislature and M. C.; Theodore Dwight, '40, professor of law at Hamilton, Cornell and Amherst, delegate Const. Con. of N. Y., in 1867; Glenni William Scofield, '40, M. C., Judge, Register U. S. Treasury; A. W. Ward, '41, missionary to China and the Creek Indians; Edward North, '41, professor of Greek, Hamilton; A L. Rhodes, '41, Judge Supreme Court, California; E. P. Hastings '42, pres. Jaffna College, Ceylon; Theodore M. Pomeroy, '42, M. C.; A. P. Willard, '42, Governor of Indiana; Anson Judd Upson, '43, Chancellor N. Y. State University, professor of Rhetoric, Hamilton; Major General Daniel P. Wood, '43,; Colonel H. D. Barto, '45; General John Sayles, '45; John N. Hungerford, '46, M. C.; Brig General Emmons Clark, '47; Joseph R Hawley, '47, U. S. Senator and Governor of Connecticut; John N. Pomeroy, '47, legal author, and Chauncey N. Waterman '47, Supreme Court Judge in Minnesota; Thomas Hastings, '48, pres. Union Theological Seminary; E. F. B. Oronto, '48, State Geologist of Ohio; Thomas J. VanAlstyne, '48, M. C.; Louis A. Brighan, '49, M. C.; John Jay Knox, '49, U. S. Comptroller of Currency; James M. Woolworth, '49, pres. American Bar Association; Judge Elliott Anthony, '50; Horatio C. Burkhard, '50, M. C., and Director of U. S. Mint; David H, Cochran,, '50, pres. Brooklyn Poly; Charles Dudley Warner, '51, author; Milton H. Merwin, '52, N. Y. Supreme Bench; Samuel F. Miller, '52, M. C.; William W. Howe, '53, pres American Bar Association; Gilbert C. Walker, '54, Governor of Virginia and M. C.; Herrick Johnson, '57, prominent theologian and orator; Alfred W. Newman, '57, Supreme Court Bench, Wisconsin; Augustus S. Seymour, '57, Supreme Court Bench, North Carolina; Isaac H. Hall, '59, an Orientalist of international repute; John H. Peck, '59, president of R. P. I.; Henry Harrison Miller, '61, Attorney General of U. S.; Amos M. Thayer, '62, U. S. Judge; William Copley Winslow, '62, said to have been awarded more degrees than any other person in this country; Charles VanNorden, '63, president of Elmira College; Elihu Root, '64, Senator and U. S. Secretary of State; Franklin D. Locke, '64, College Trustee; Charles E. Rice, '67, Supreme Court Bench of Penna; Alexander C. Soper, '67, College Trustee; Charles N. Truax of the New York Supreme Court Bench; Judge Alfred C. Coxe, '68; Marion Francis Burdick, '69, professor of law at Hamilton, Cornell and Columbia; James Henry Ecob, '69, famous New York clergyman; William M. Lillibridge, Michigan Supreme Bench; S. N. D. North, '69, Director U. S. Census; Judge Charles Holland Duell, '71, U S. Commissioner of Patents; M. Woolsey Stryker, '72, president of Hamilton; Dr. H. C. G. Brandt, '72, author and German scholar; Dr. Arthur S. Hoyt, '72, professor at Auburn Seminary; George F. Lyon, '72, N. Y. Supreme Bench; Oliver E. Branch, '73, U. S. District Attorney for New Hampshire; Chester S Lord, '73, retired managing editor of New York Sun; Jermain G. Porter, '73, eminent astronomer; George Knox, '74, missionary to Japan; George P. Bristol, '76, professor at Hamilton and Cornell; George Hodges, '77, Dean of Cambridge Divinity School; Victor H. Metcalf, '77, U. S. Secretary of the Navy; James S. Sherman, '78, late vice-President of U. S.; Clinton Scollard, '81, poet; Charles Fremont Amidon, '83, U. S. Dist. Judge in N. Dakota; William Arnold Shanklin, ex-83, president Wesleyan University; Edward Murray Bassett, ex-'84, M. C.; George Wheeler Hinman, '84, president of Marietta College; Irving F. Wood, '85, professor of Ethics at Smith College; Frederick W. Griffith, '86, State Senator and Trustee of College; Charles H. Smyth, '88, professor of Geology at Princeton; William Miller Collier, '89, U. S. Minister to Spain; Samuel Hopkins Adams, '91, writer and journalist; H. Roswell Bates, '95, New York Settlement Worker; Henry Kitchell Webster, '97, author.

News of the Week

NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Young Graduates in Utica Form Club To Increase Entering Classes.

Eight young Alumni of Utica, representing all the fraternities on the Hill, last week formed an organization to increase Hamilton's entering classes. The men are J. F. Carroll, '06, Grove C. Clark, '07, William F. Grossmeyer, '07, Paul B. Williams, '08, Leo Coupe, '10, William C. Westcott, '11, Don Sidle, '11, James Eells, '12. The plan of the association is to get the names of all sub-Freshmen who are considering Hamilton, to advise the Alumni in their neighborhood to that effect. The plan is similar to that devised by the younger Alumni of New York City recently, and will be run on a non-fraternity basis.

—Tuesday morning, immediately after Chapel, Ludlow was elected Freshman Track Captain.

TRIP ARRANGED.

Leader Goodenough Arranges Concerts For Musical Clubs.

Leader Erwin R. Goodenough returned from a tour of New York City and vicinity last Thursday with a trip for the Musical Clubs safely corralled. Four concerts are sure to be given according to the leader's statement, and others are almost sure to be arranged. On April 3, three days after the beginning of vacation, a performance will be held at Brooklyn; on April 6, Tarrytown; April 8, Yonkers (afternoon), Jamaica, L. I. (evening). In addition to these, concerts at Glen Ridge and Hampstead are almost sure to be arranged, and Middletown,, Rutherford, N. J., and East Orange, N. J., are likely to be included in the slate.

This schedule will be entirely satisfactoy to the College and the Clubs, and practices have been renewed with vigor in preparation for the trip.

—Get your tickets before Saturday from Manager Ogilvie for the Charlatans performance in Utica on Monday, April 26. Dance will follow performance.

—OnFriday, March 12, "Bob" Roberts, '13, was married to Miss Grace Noughton, of New York City.

—A series of articles has been prepared for the "Outlook" by Professor Davenport. They are based on his recent tour of the Western States, and will deal with the new movements and new lines of development in the West. The articles will appear shortly.

Meanwhile every effort will be expended in securing more dates. The Clubs will make New York their headquarters thruout the vacation.

Leader Goodenough announces that his chief difficulty in arranging the dates lay in the lateness of the date. Binghamton, for instance, would have taken a concert, he says, if the week had not already been filled with other college clubs.

THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

A. C. Soper, '67, Says That Activity Has Been Discontinued.

A recent letter from Mr. A. C. Soper, '67, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Trustees, announces that work on the $1,000,000 Endowment Fund, started two years ago under the direction of Mr. Clemens G. Martin, '83, has been discontinued, pending the end of the war and "hard times."

At the time when work was discontinued last August, $70,000 had been subscribed, and $25,000 collected. The campaign will be resumed at the end of the war.

—Sidney A. Sherwin, '67, was on the Hill Tuesday.

—Professor Lewis is ill with an attack of laryngitis.

—Life elections at 7 oclock tonight in Y. M. C. A.

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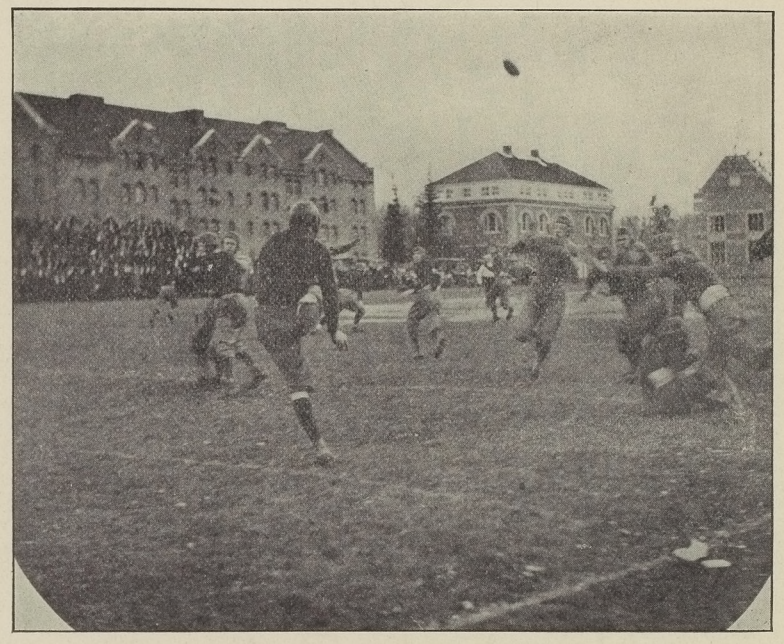

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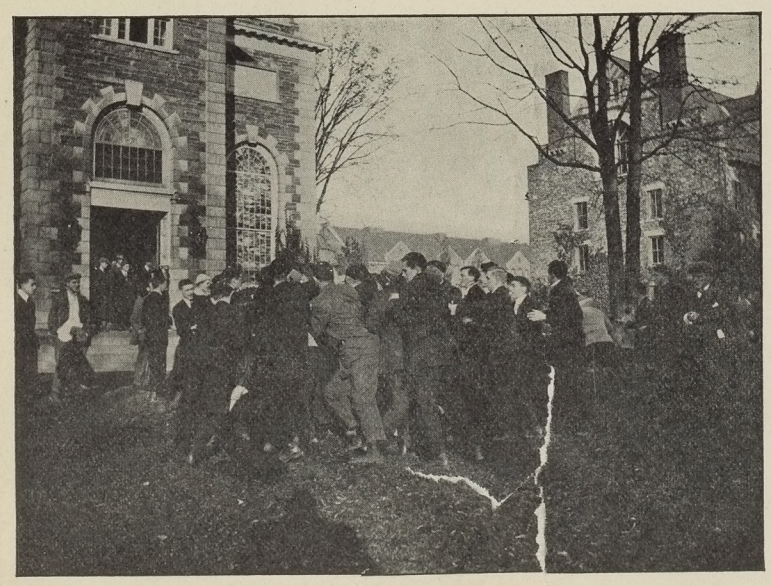

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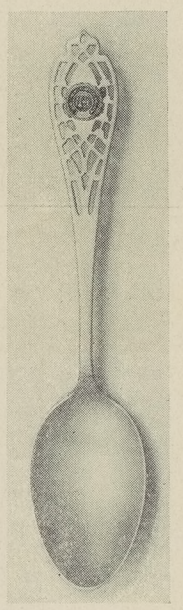

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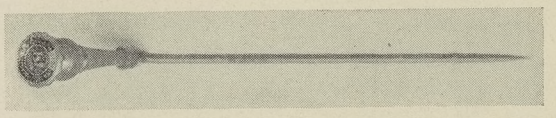

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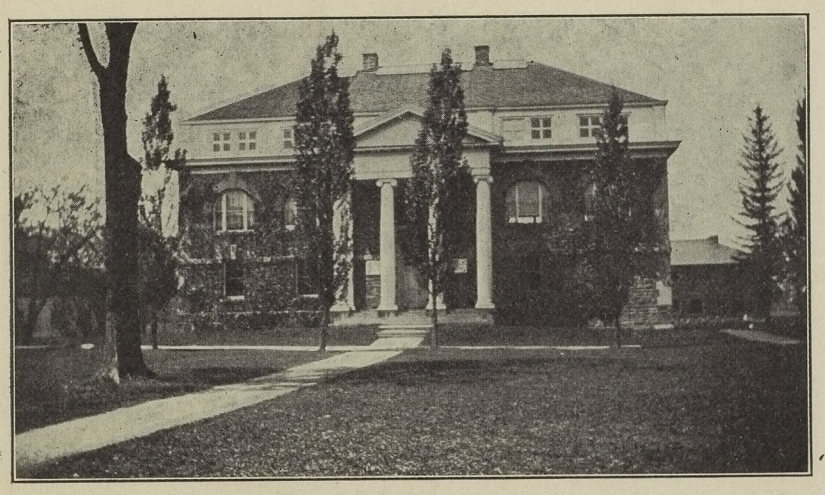

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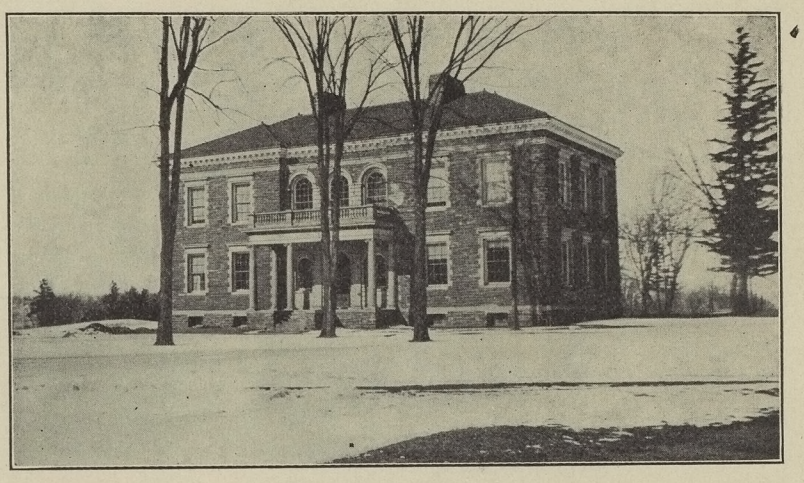

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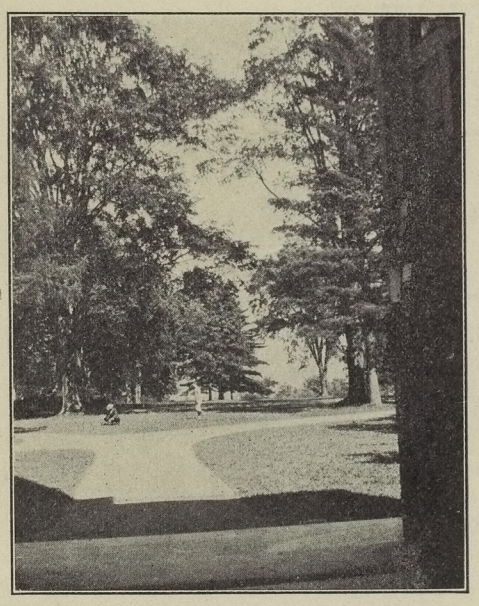

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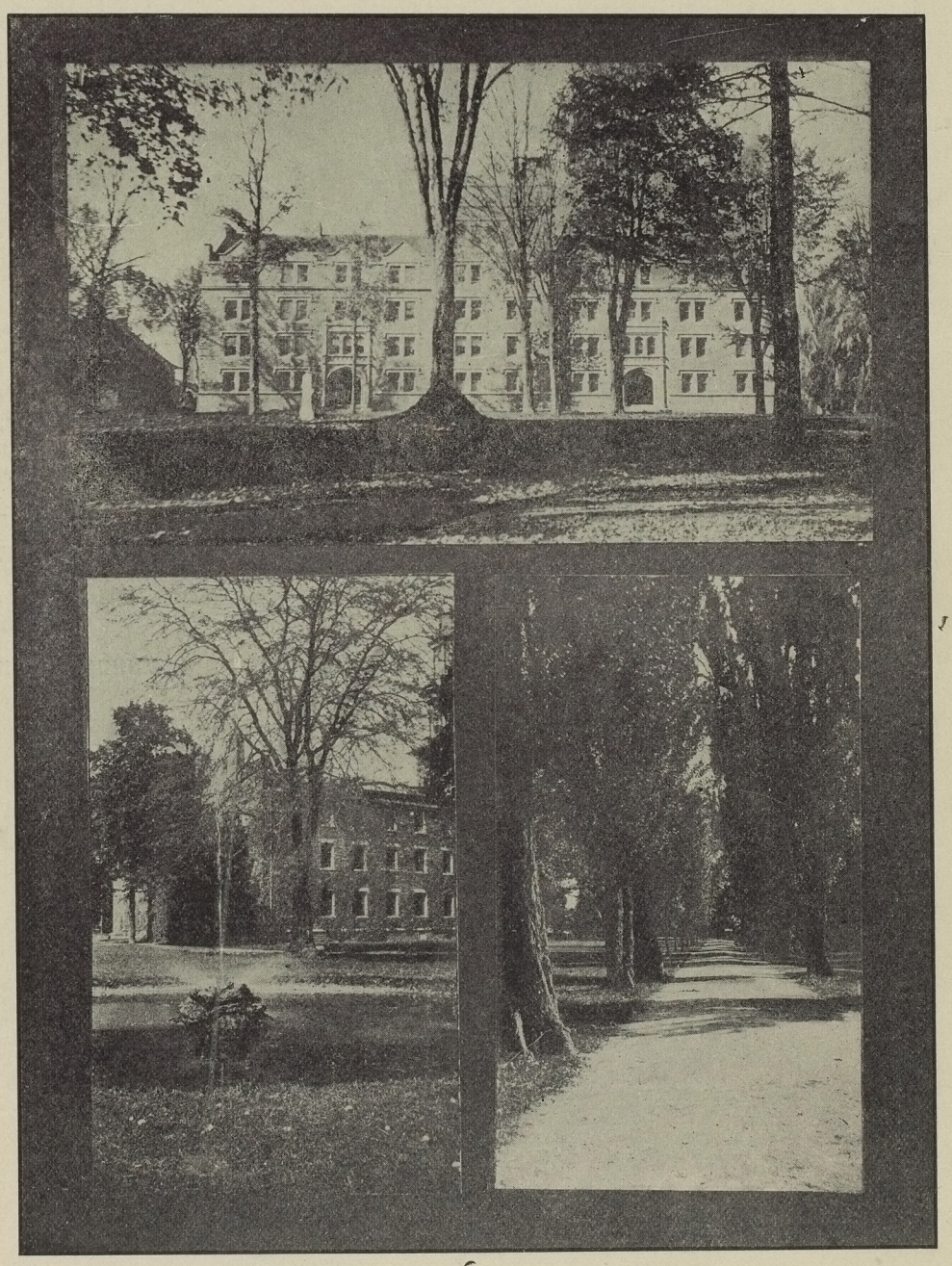

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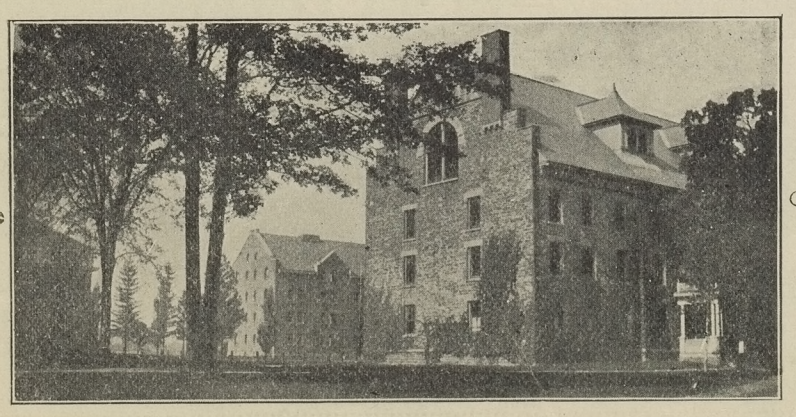

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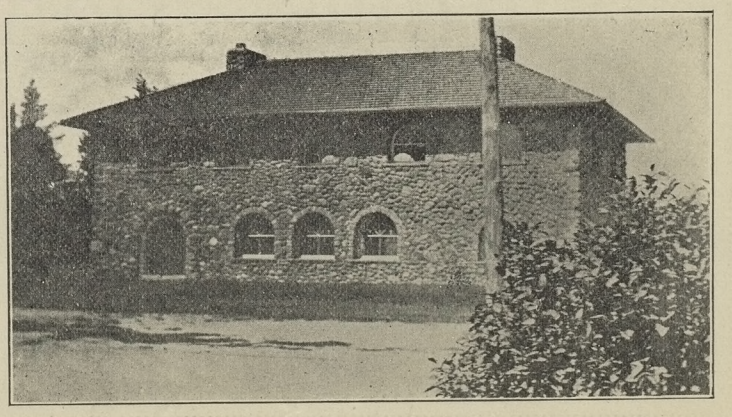

Chemical Laboratory.